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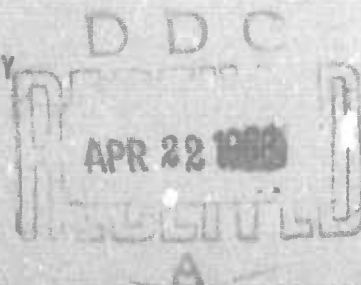
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FAULTLESS

EVENT DESCRIPTION

DATE: 19 January 1968

TIME OF ORIGIN: 18:15:00.1Z

YIELD:

MAGNITUDE: UNIFIED: 6.51 ± 0.46

ADJUSTED: 6.25 ± 0.23

LOCATION:

SITE: Central Nevada Supplemental Test Site UC-1

GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES:

Latitude: 38° 38' 03.0" N

Longitude: 116° 12' 55.0" W

ENVIRONMENT: GEOLOGIC MEDIMUM: Tuff (water saturated)

SURFACE ELEVATION: 6104 ft.

SHOT ELEVATION: 2904 ft.

SHOT DEPTH: 3200 ft.

COMPUTED EPICENTER: ALL STATIONS

LOCATE: GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES:

(Herrin 61 Surface) Latitude: 38° 36' 46.8" N

Longitude: 116° 15' 36.0" W

TIME OF ORIGIN: 18:15:01.6Z

DEPTH CONSTRAINED TO: 0 km.

EPICENTER SHIFT: 3.4 km S 46° W

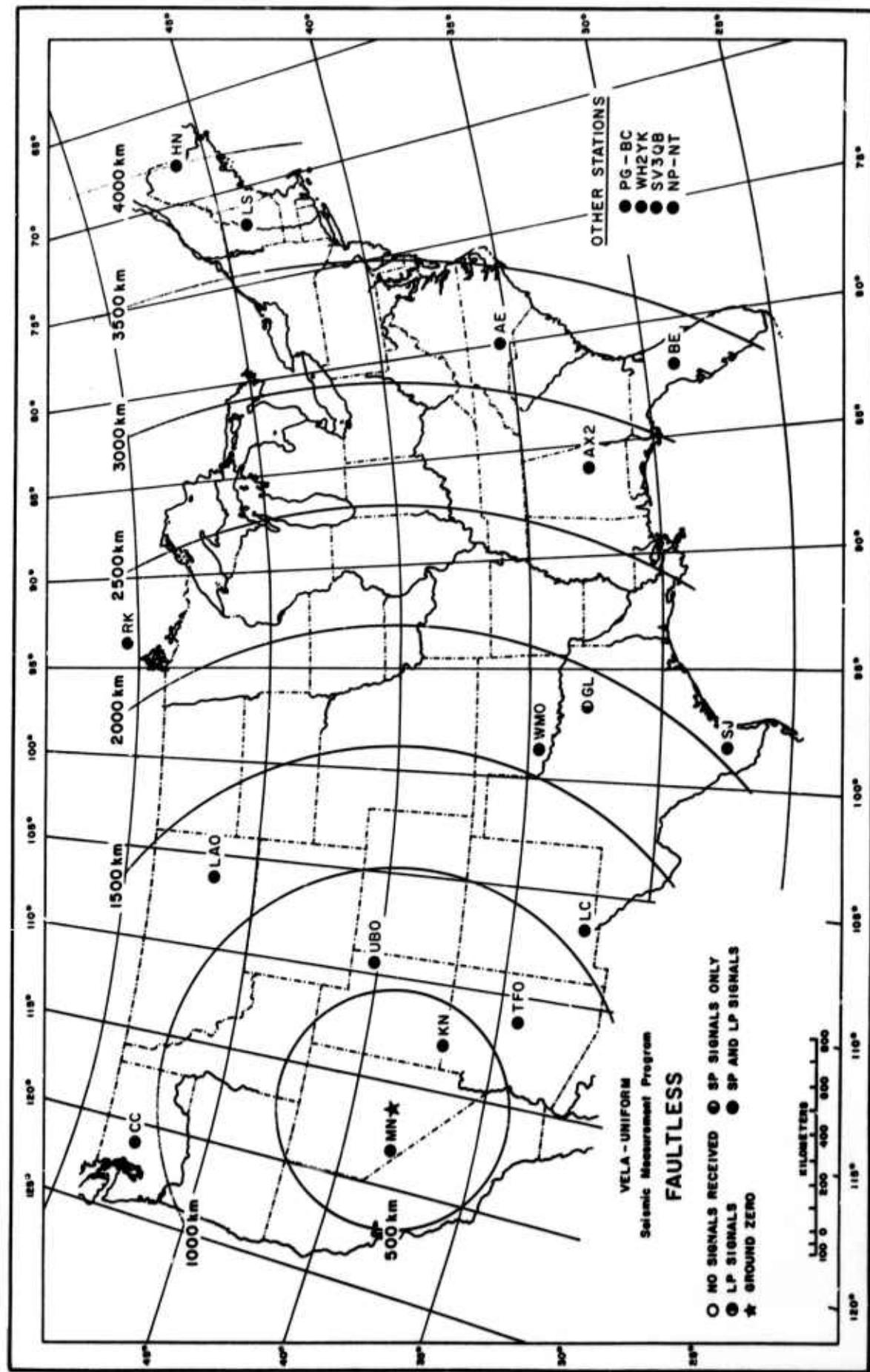
HYPO I GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES:

(Herrin 66 Surface) Latitude: 38° 37' 48.0" N

Longitude: 116 13' 12.0" W

TIME OF ORIGIN: 18:15:02.2Z

DEPTH CONSTRAINED TO: 0 km.



Recording Stations and Signals Received

INTRODUCTION

A long range seismic measurement (LRSM) program and several larger seismographic observatories were established under VELA-UNIFORM to record seismological data resulting from natural seismic activity and a planned series of U.S. underground nuclear tests. The LRSM teams are mobile and occupy locations selected to provide optimum data from events of special interest; the observatories are permanent installations as follows:

Wichita Mountains Seismological Observatory (WMSO)
Lawton, Oklahoma

Uinta Basin Seismological Observatory (UBSO)
Vernal, Utah

Tonto Forest Seismological Observatory (TFSO)
Payson, Arizona

Large Aperture Seismic Array (LASA)
Billings, Montana

The purpose of this report is to provide an analysis of data resulting from the FAULTLESS event recorded by the LRSM teams and the VELA observatories and a preliminary summary of data reported by other permanent and temporary seismographic stations.

INSTRUMENTATION AND PROCEDURE

The instrumentation at each of the LRSM locations consists of three-component short-period and three-component long-period seismographs. In general, data are recorded on 35 millimeter film and on one-inch 14-channel magnetic tape, although recently more portable instrumentation has been incorporated which records only on magnetic tape. The stations are all equipped to record

WWV continuously to provide accurate time control. Calibration is accomplished once each day and just prior to each shot at the operational settings. Pertinent information useful for analysis of LRSM data is available to qualified users of this data and is contained in Technical Report 65-43, "Interpretation and Usage of Seismic Data, LRSM Program." General information on LRSM van and portable system equipment and operation is given in Technical Report 66-27, "The LRSM Mobile Seismological Laboratory," and 65-74, "A Portable Seismograph." Copies of these reports may be obtained from DDC. The AD control number of Technical Report 66-27 is 480343. All the observatories have both long-period and short-period, three-component instrumentation, in addition to their other specialized facilities.

Station information is presented in Table 4. This includes the station name and code; the geographic coordinates; the distances and azimuths involved; the station elevations; and the type of instruments in use at each location. Representative instrumental response curves are shown in Appendix II(B), II(C), and II(D) of the BOURBON shot report, SDL Report No. 186, available from DDC as AD 816273.

The procedures used in measuring amplitudes and the unified magnitude are shown in Appendices II(A) and I(B), respectively, of the BOURBON shot report. The distance factors (B) beyond 16° are from Gutenberg and Richter*. For distance less than 16° values were read from a curve in the Gutenberg and Richter paper

*Gutenberg, B. and Richter, C.F., Magnitude and Energy of Earthquakes, Ann. Geofis., 9 (1956), pp. 1-15.

back to 10° and then extrapolated to 2° , using an inverse cube relationship. An additional magnitude for less than 16° was computed using a method described by Evernden *. (Figure 3)

A standard hypocenter location program for a digital computer was used to determine the location using data from all stations analyzed. Best-fit values of latitude, longitude, and time of origin are determined statistically by a least-squares technique. This utilizes a Jeffreys-Bullen travel-time curve as modified by Herrin in 1961 on the basis of Pacific surface-focus recordings. An additional location was made using a program called HYPO I. Precision of the computation is limited primarily by the accuracy of arrival times, the validity of the standard travel-time curve, and by local velocity deviations. These methods are based on P-wave arrivals with depth constrained to zero.

DATA AND RESULTS (LRSM AND VELA OBSERVATORIES)

The parameters of the FAULTLESS event and a summary of the seismic evaluation is shown on the Event Description page. The operational status of the 20 LRSM stations and observatories is given in Table 1, and illustrated in Figure 1.

Table 2 summarizes the measurements made of the principal phases from the FAULTLESS event at the LRSM and VELA stations. Included are the Pn and P arrival times, the maximum amplitudes (A/T) of the Pn and P motion and other phases as seen on the short-period instruments. Long-period Love and Rayleigh wave

* Evernden, J.F., Magnitude Determination at Regional and Near Regional Distances in the United States, AFTAC/VELA Seismological Center Technical Report VU-65-4A, (1965), pp.6,13.

motion are also tabulated in (A/T) form. In addition, the individual station Rayleigh wave areas (mm^2) are indicated as measured on the LPZ only. Although reduced to 1K magnification, they have not been normalized to any magnitude. Twenty stations recorded short-period signals. Long-period signals were recorded by nineteen stations.

The unified magnitudes determined from the LRSM and VELA observatories are shown in Figure 2. The average magnitude is 6.51 ± 0.46 . The adjusted unified magnitude is 6.25 ± 0.23 .

The travel-time residuals from the Pn and P phases are shown in Figure 4. Figures 5 through 9 illustrate plots of the amplitudes of P, Pg, Lg, LQ, and LR.

Attached to the report are illustrative seismograms showing the signals recorded at four stations. The most distant station analyzed that recorded FAULTLESS was NP-NT at a distance of 4197 kilometers.

CODE	STATION	DISTANCE (NM)	100T.	MAGNITU- DINE (R) PML = 30	PHASE	TRAVEL TIME				P56100 T (65C)	MAXIMUM AMPLITUDE R/T	MAGNITU- DINE (m)		AREA (sq LP3)
						OBSERVED		COMPUTED (J-S)				mb	ms	
						(M10)	(65C)	(M10)	(65C)					
NR-09	Reno, Nevada	170	SP6	0.66	Pa	0	60.4	0	20.70	(0.4)	(36,036)	(6.39)	(6.16)	
			SP7	0.27	Pa	0	20.1	0	20.70	(0.4)	(142,607)			
			LPT		Pa	0		0						
			LP3		Pa	0		0						
NR-6T	Keeb, Utah	346	SP3	0.516	Pa	0	50.5	0	51.72	(0.6)	(6030)	(6.64)	(6.37)	
			SP2	0.516	Pa	0	62.3	0	62.3	(1.0)	(10,125)			
			SP7	0.197*	Pa	0	(56.3)	0	56.3	(0.6)	(100,543)			
			LP3	0.069*	Pa	0		0			(53,267)			
O650	Ulate Basin Seismological Observatory, Utah	602	SP3-10	0.94	Pa	1	26.2	1	24.11	(1.3)	(12,241)	(7.67)	(6.36)	
			SP2-10		Pa	1	(42.1)	1	42.1	(1.4)	(14,141)			
			SP6	0.96*	Pa	1		1						
			SP8	1.0	Pa	1		1		(12.0)	(666)			
TF50	Tonto Forest Seismological Observatory, Arizona	455	SP2-80	5.6	Pa	1	(30.1)	1	30.66	(0.6)	(566)	(6.33)	(6.15)	
			SP7	6.2	Pa	1	52.5	1	52.5	(1.0)	(4845)			
			SP6	1.1	Pa	1		1		1.7	2919			
			LP3	1.1	Pa	1		1			5630			
CC-WA	Cascadia Tunnel, Washington	1068	SP3	2.6	Pa	2	26.2	2	25.13	1.1	2214	7.62	6.16	
			SP2	2.6	Pa	2	26.7	2	26.7	1.3	3069			
			SP7	2.6	Pa	2	38.3	2	38.3	1.0	1807			
			LP3	19.1	Pa	2	(11.9)	2	11.9	1.2	2886			
LC-NM	Los Crecos, New Mexico	1112	SP2	21.0	Pa	2	30.3	2	26.17	1.25	2246	7.65	6.16	
			SP3	21.9	Pa	2	42.9	2	42.9	1.1	261			
			SP7	15.6*	Pa	3	06.6	3	06.6	1.2	2204			
			LP3	20.0	Pa	3		3		1.6	2886			
L80	Subarray, A0-10, Fortson	1212	SP2	21.0	Pa	2	36.7	2	40.34	**	**			1896.69
			LP8		Pa	2		2		**	**			
			LP2		Pa	2		2		**	**			
			LP3	2.29	Pa	2		2		15.0	1039			
WRSO	Richlie Montros Seismological Observatory, Ohio	1632	SP2-6	29.6	P	3	26.6	3	30.76	1.4	893	5.36	8.10	
			SP3-6	2.6	P	3	37.6	3	37.6	1.4	6231			
			SP2-6	2.6	P	3	36.3	3	36.3	1.4	2297			
			LP6	2.6	P	3	24	3	24	(16.0)	(58.0)			
PG-0C	Prince George, British Columbia, Canada	1777	SP2	26.7	P	3	46.5	3	47.49	1.2	2194	6.26	6.57	
			SP3	26.7	P	3	55.9	3	55.9	1.3	3143			
			SP7	26.7	P	3	36.9	3	36.9	1.4	618			
			LP6	26.4	P	3		3		2.0	600			
GL-TX	Garland, Texas	1676	SP2	19.5	P	3	57.6	3	56.61	1.4	1061	6.93		1676.27
			SP3	4.26	P	3	(60.3)	3	60.3	1.3	1630			
			SP7	4.26	P	3	(10.3)	3	10.3	1.3	2665			
			LP3	3.78	P	3		3		1.6	3904			
SJ-TX	San Jose, Texas	2054	SP2	26.0	P	4	21.9	4	20.11	(1.6)	(1107)	(6.00)		
			SP3	26.0	P	4	27.4	4	27.4	1.3	566			
			SP7	26.0	P	4	34.9	4	34.9	1.4	940			
			LP3	26.0	P	4		4		2.6	2466			
66-08	666 Lake, Ontario, Canada	2226	SP3	32.4	P	4	33.9	4	37.32	1.2	601	5.90		2529.61
			SP2	32.4	P	4	36.1	4	36.1	1.6	1076			
			SP7	32.4	P	4	46.6	4	46.6	1.35	1099			
			SP8	32.6	P	4	57.0	4	57.0	1.2	1065			
WNSV	Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, Canada	6762	SP2	32.6	P	4	66.4	4	66.4	1.2	1077	6.31		1617.46
			LP7	27.4	P	4	25	4	25	11.8	166			
			SP7	32.6	P	4	60.7	4	60.7	1.2	160			
			LP3	26.1	P	4		4		2.0	1104			
ARZAL	Blountville City, Alabama	2766	SP2	16.36	P	6	26.6	6	27.26	1.3	1026	6.50		2600.53
			SP3	16.36	P	6	39.7	6	39.7	1.2	596			
			SP7	16.36	P	6	00.7	6	00.7	1.2	154			
			LP3	1.65	P	6		6		(20.0)	940			
66-0C	Albionville, North Carolina	3216	SP2	62.5	P	6	59.7	6	62.75	(1.4)	(300)	(6.06)		760.70
			SP3	62.5	P	6	24.7	6	24.7	1.0	126			
			SP7	62.5	P	6	46.7	6	46.7	1.2	356			
			LP2	66.6	P	6	10.1	6	10.1	1.2	209			
66-FL	Gulfview, Florida	3320	SP2	26.5	P	6	(06.9)	6	11.21	1.46	1263	6.70		1303.66
			SP3	26.5	P	6	22.5	6	22.5	1.4	500			
			SP7	26.5	P	6	10.5	6	10.5	1.6	667			
			SP8	26.5	P	6	12.3	6	12.3	1.0	170			
L6-NH	Lishou, New Hampshire	3710	SP2	33.06	P	6	(36.9)	6	41.65	1.4	619	6.46		2269.73
			SP3	33.06	P	6	50.5	6	50.5	1.1	161			
			SP7	26.26	P	6		6		2.2	(724)			
			LP3	1.43	P	6		6		13.5	3216			
NR-NB	Newtown, Maine	3896	SP2	33.6	P	7	01.6	7	03.94	(1.1)	(266)	(6.06)		1247.86
			SP3	22.66*	P	7	03.6	7	03.6	(1.1)	(266)			
			SP7	33.6	P	7	06.2	7	06.2	1.0	179			
			LP3	33.6	P	7	16.2	7	16.2	1.0	209			
SY306	Schofferville, Quebec, Canada	4062	SP2	33.6	P	7	26.7	7	26.7	1.2	136			1896.52
			SP3	33.6	P	7	32.6	7	32.6	1.1	65.3			
			LPT	29.3	P	7		7		1.1	161			
			LP3	2.34	P	7		7		(16.0)	(246)			
NP-NT	Noid Bay, Northwest Territories, Canada	4167	SP3	26.4	P	7	07.6	7	10.36	1.4	606	6.44		3307.60
			SP2	26.4	P	7	11.4	7	11.4	1.0	295			
			SP7	26.4	P	7	26.2	7	26.2	1.1	362			
			LP3	26.4	P	7	(23.3)	7	23.3	1.0	256			

Station	Faultless Dist (km)	Greeley Dist (km)	Adjusted MagF	Adjusted MagG	Mμ/sec (O-P)						AR _F (MM ²)	AR _G (MM ²)
					LgF	LgG	LQF	LQG	LR _F	LR _G		
MN-NV	170	198	(6.16)	6.25	(142,857)	100,575	---	---	---	(424,064)	---	142,246
KN-UT	348	320	(6.37)	6.44	(53,261)	125,880	---	---	---	88,101	---	23,333
U80	602	682	(6.38)	5.96	(14,141)	13,947	(1131)	9800	---	995	---	1057
TFO	655	572	(6.15)	(6.26)	5630	(10,637)	---	2562	---	14,933	---	7306
WMO	1632	1629	6.10	6.30	2778	3028	---	(2030)	---	5563	---	3750
PG-8C	1775	1915	6.57	5.85	996	1154	(702)	4214	(1883)	3115	1579	2400
RK-ON	2228	2346	5.90	(6.40)	1104	757	349	777	1853	1733	1817	2048
WH2YK	2782	2913	6.31	5.62	603	657	---	2348	2410	4348	2601	5223
AX2AL	2786	2796	6.50	6.51	940	(974)	(261)	1137	864	(2472)	1843	5491
AE-NC	3216	3249	(6.09)	6.34	1715	1651	I	1664	(631)	1974	791	1952
8E-FL	3320	3318	6.70	6.41	343	387	101	1088	645	1961	1304	4642
LS-NH	3710	3788	6.49	6.43	(724)	592	I	2225	3215	6246	2269	2682
HN-ME	3996	4082	6.08	6.42	383-	589	(242)	2064	(1399)	898	1748	1535
SV3QB	4082	4195	6.44	(6.21)	408	357	(124)	535	2122	(2957)	1097	1820
NP-NT	4197	4344	---	---	(1088)	793	725	---	1312	1625	3398	3364
All Common Stations, Average												
Ratio Faultless Greeley			6.30	6.24	15,131	17,465	416	2802	1633	2733	1845	3116
			1.01		.87		.15		.60		.59	
Distance > 1700 KM Average												
Ratio Faultless Greeley			6.34	6.24	830	791	297	1636	1633	2733	1845	3116
			1.02		1.05		.18		.60		.59	

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Comparison of Signals - FAULTLESS and GREELEY
Table 3

Code	Station	Distance (km)	Geographic Latitude	Geographic Longitude	Elev. (km)	Computed Azimuth		Installed Azimuth		SP Inst.	LP Inst.
						Epi. Sta.	Sta. Epi.	Radial	Tang.		
MN-NV	Mina, Nevada	170	38° 26' 10" N	118° 08' 53" W	1.52	263°	82°	308°	38°	L	**
KN-UT	Kanab, Utah	348	37° 01' 22" N	112° 49' 39" W	1.74	120°	302°	95°	185°	L	**
*UBSO-Z10	Uinta Basin Seismological Observatory, Utah	602	40° 19' 18" N	109° 34' 07" W	1.60	70°	254°	90°	0°	JM	**
*TFSO-Z60	Tonto Forest Seismological Observatory, Arizona	655	34° 17' 12" N	111° 16' 03" W	1.49	136°	319°	90°	0°	JM	**
CC-WA	Cascadia Tunnel, Washington	1089	47° 46' 09" N	121° 05' 01" W	1.04	340°	157°	311°	041°	PS	**
LC-NM	Las Cruces, New Mexico	1112	32° 24' 08" N	106° 35' 58" W	1.59	126°	311°	133°	223°	S	**
*LAO	Subarray A0-10, Montana	1212	46° 41' 19" N	106° 13' 20" W	0.90	39°	226°	90°	0°	H5	**
*MMSO-Z6	Wichita Mountains Seismological Observatory, Oklahoma	1632	34° 43' 05" N	98° 35' 21" W	0.51	100°	291°	90°	0°	JM	**
*PG-BC	Prince George, British Columbia, Canada	1775	53° 59' 50" N	122° 31' 23" W	0.91	346°	162°	110°	200°	L	**
GL-TX	Garland, Texas	1874	32° 58' 20" N	96° 38' 06" W	0.17	104°	295°	110°	200°	PS	**
SJ-TX	San Jose, Texas	2064	27° 36' 43" N	98° 18' 46" W	0.11	121°	311°	131°	221°	PS	**
RK-ON	Red Lake, Ontario, Canada	2222	50° 50' 20" N	93° 40' 20" W	0.37	45°	241°	58°	148°	S	**
WH2VK	Whitenorse, Yukon Territory, Canada	2782	60° 41' 41" N	134° 58' 02" W	0.85	338°	143°	325°	55°	L	**
AX2AL	Alexandria City, Alabama	2786	32° 46' 38" N	86° 07' 48" W	0.21	94°	292°	112	202	PS	**
AE-NC	Albamarle, North Carolina	3216	35° 26' 01" N	80° 03' 52" W	0.18	85°	287°	107	197	PS	**
*BE-FL	Ballaview, Florida	3320	28° 54' 19" N	82° 03' 52" W	0.02	99°	298°	208	298	PS	**
LS-NH	Lisbon, New Hampshire	3710	44° 14' 18" N	71° 55' 21" W	0.29	66°	276°	96	186	PS	**
HN-ME	Houlton, Maine	3996	46° 09' 43" N	67° 59' 09" W	0.21	62°	276°	93°	183°	S	**
*SY3QB	Schefferville, Quebec, Canada	4082	54° 48' 39" N	66° 45' 00" W	0.58	47°	265°	139°	229°	S	**
NP-MT	Mould Bay, Northwest Territories, Canada	4197	76° 15' 08" N	119° 22' 18" W	0.06	359°	176°	356°	86°	JMZ S	**

* Seismometers Not Oriented Toward N.T.S.

L = Large Benioff HS = Hall Saars

S = Small Benioff PS = Geotech Portable System

JM = Johnson - Matheson ** = Long Period Instruments at Site

Recording Site Information - FAULTLESS
Table 4

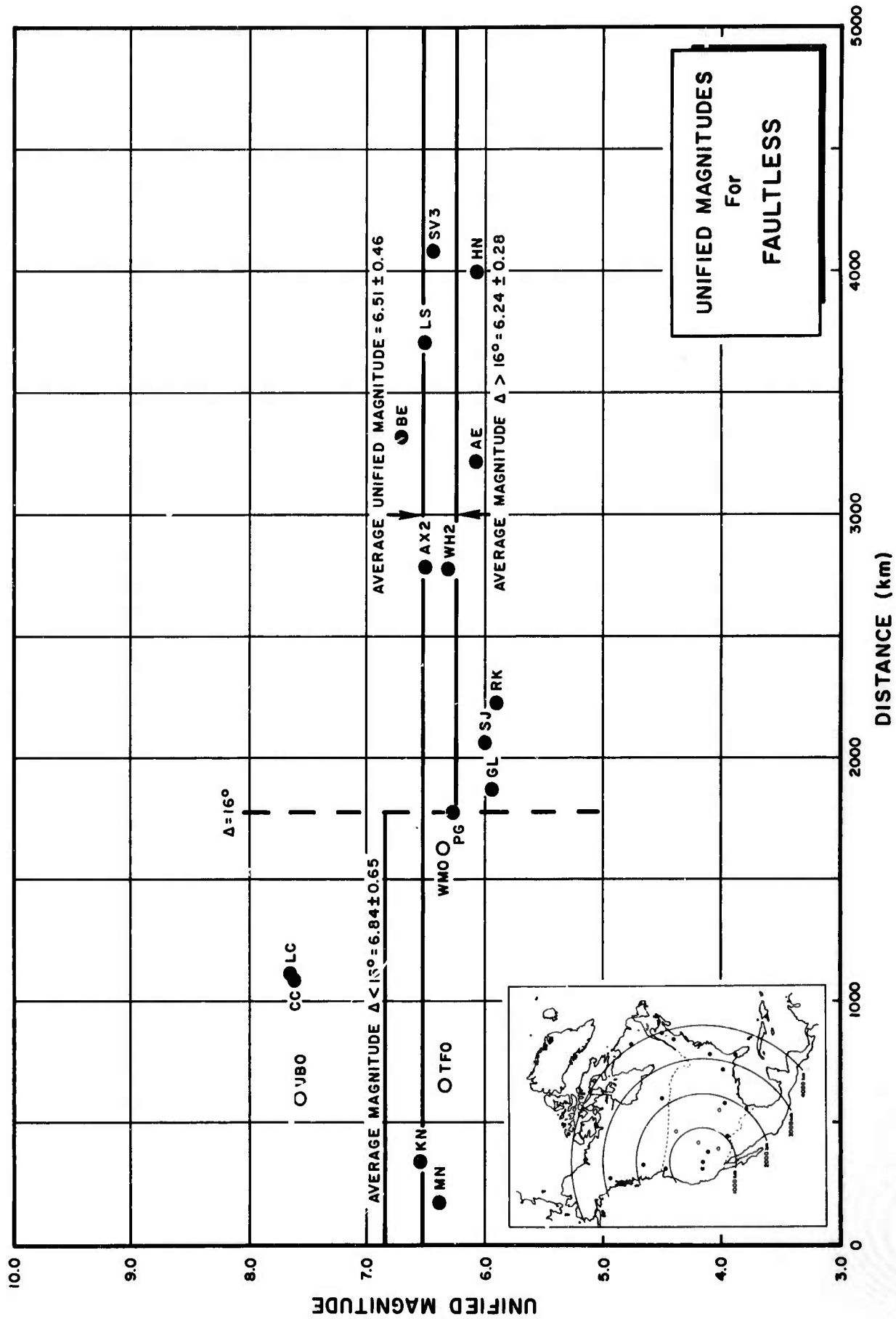


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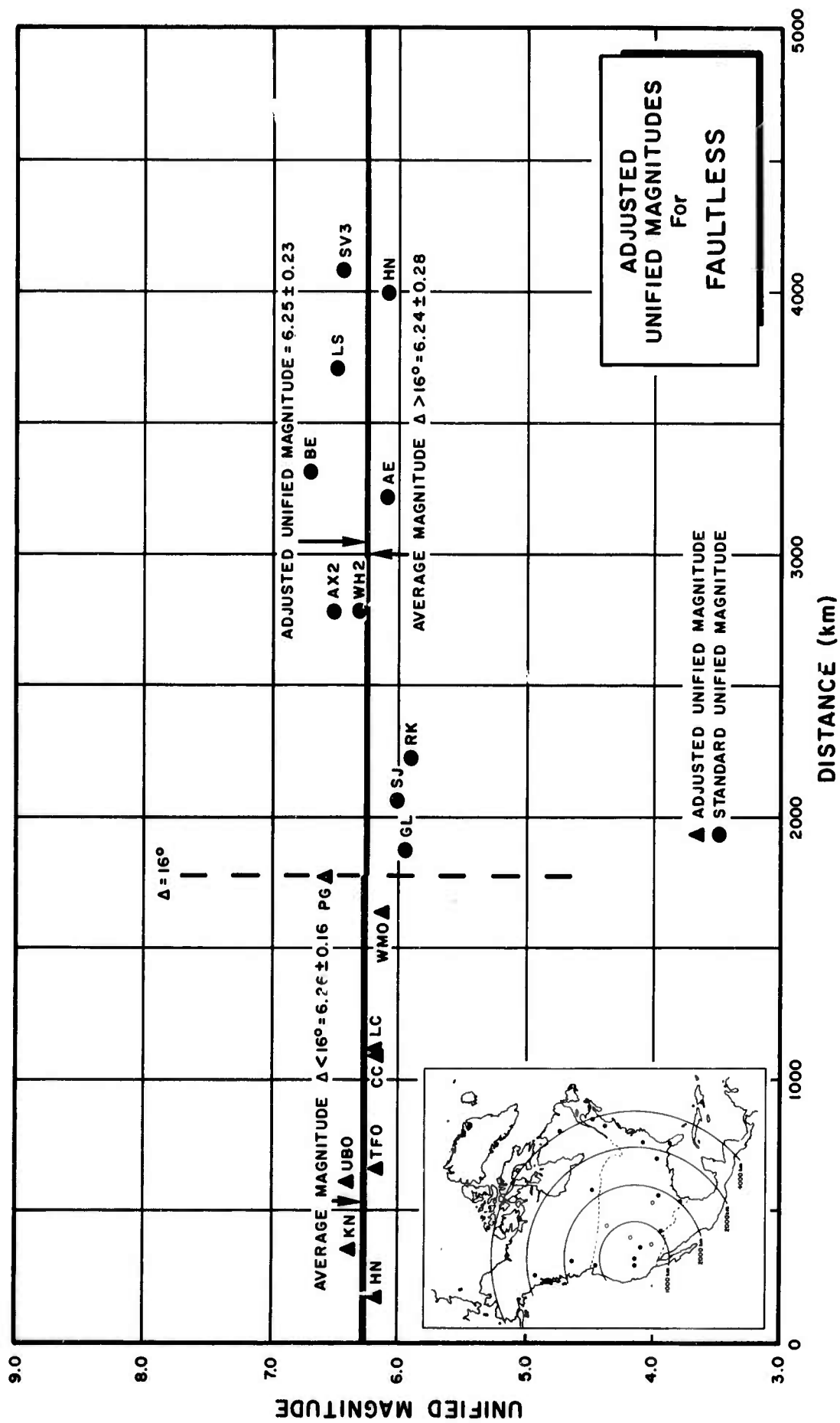


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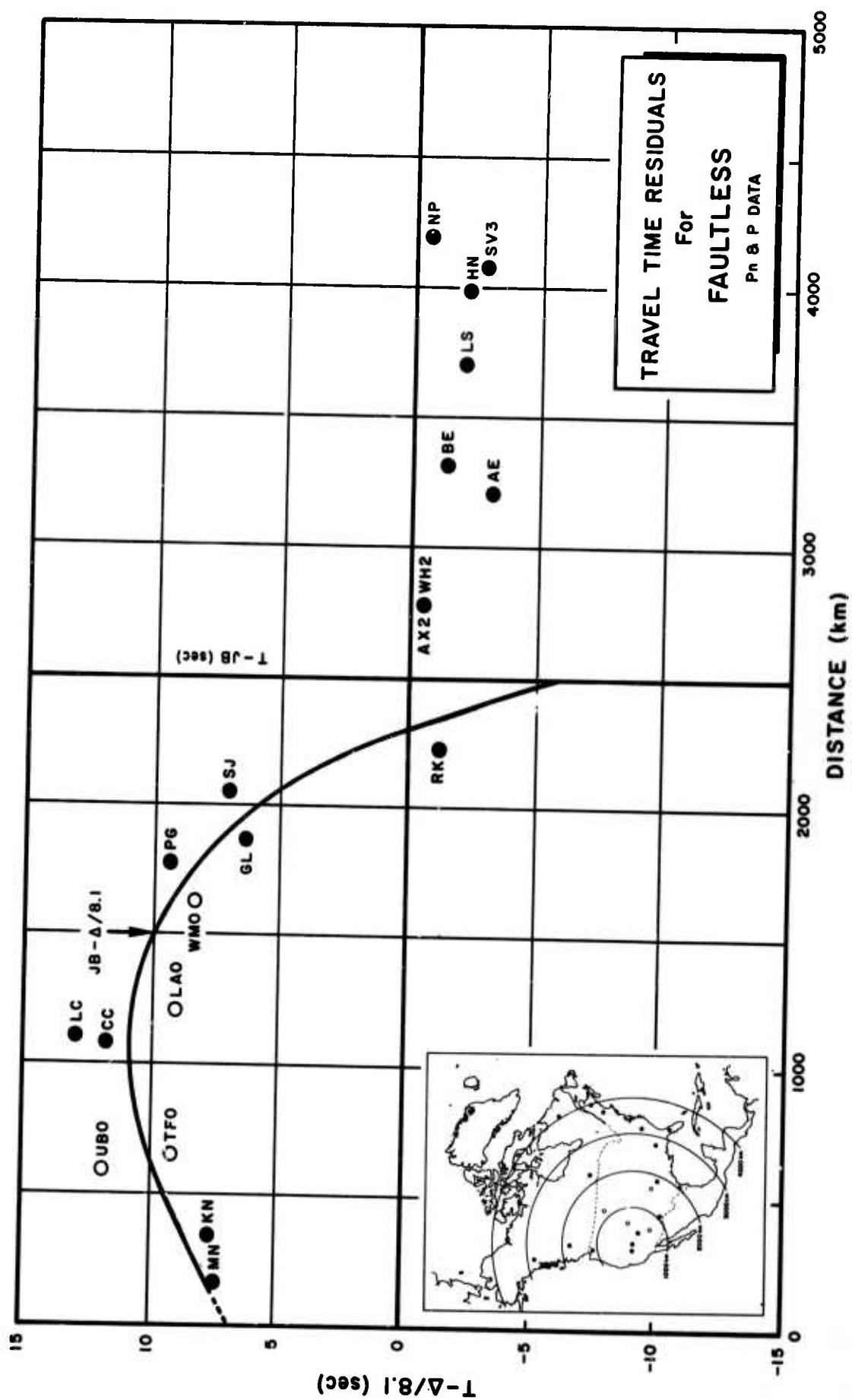


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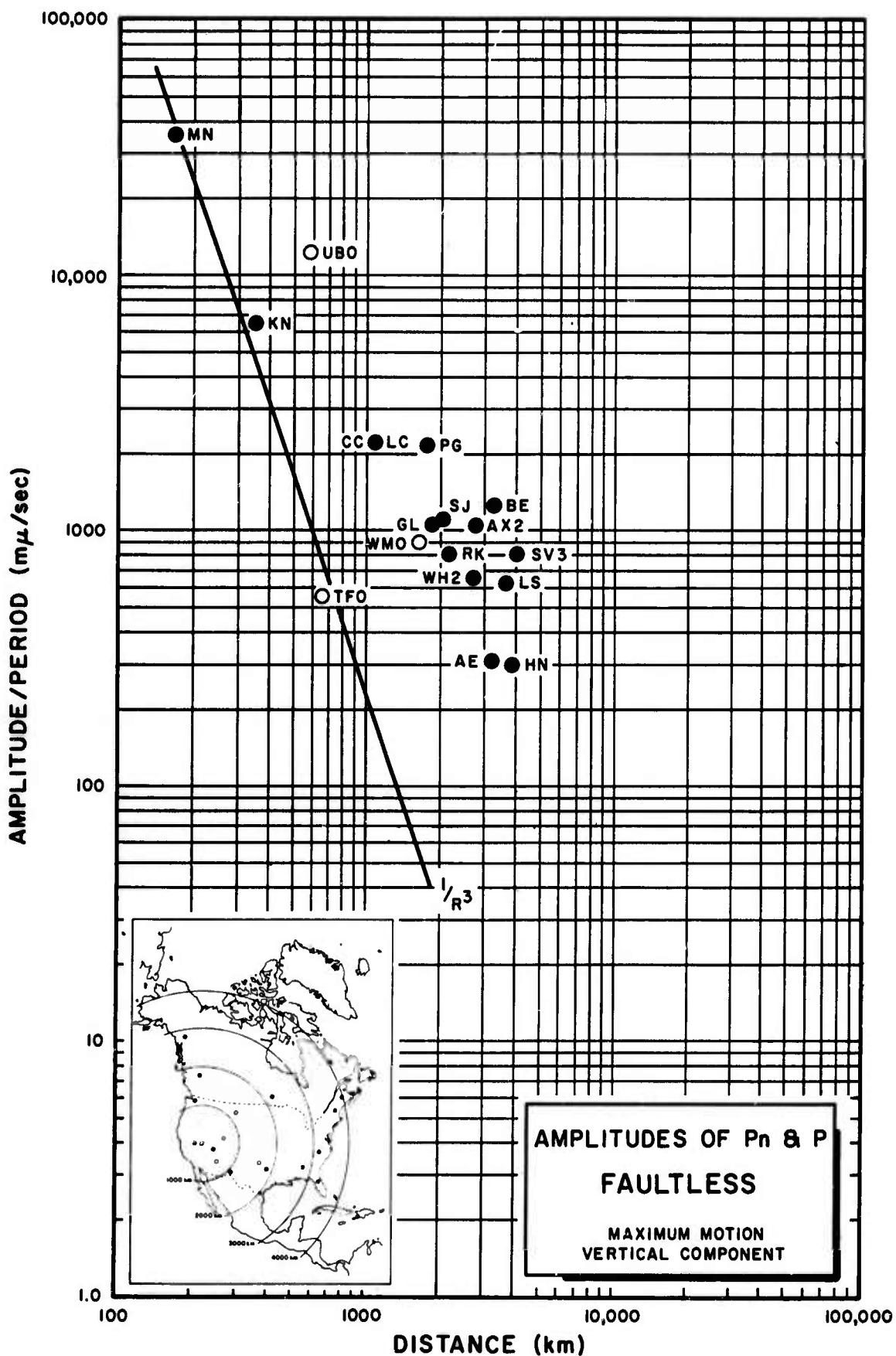


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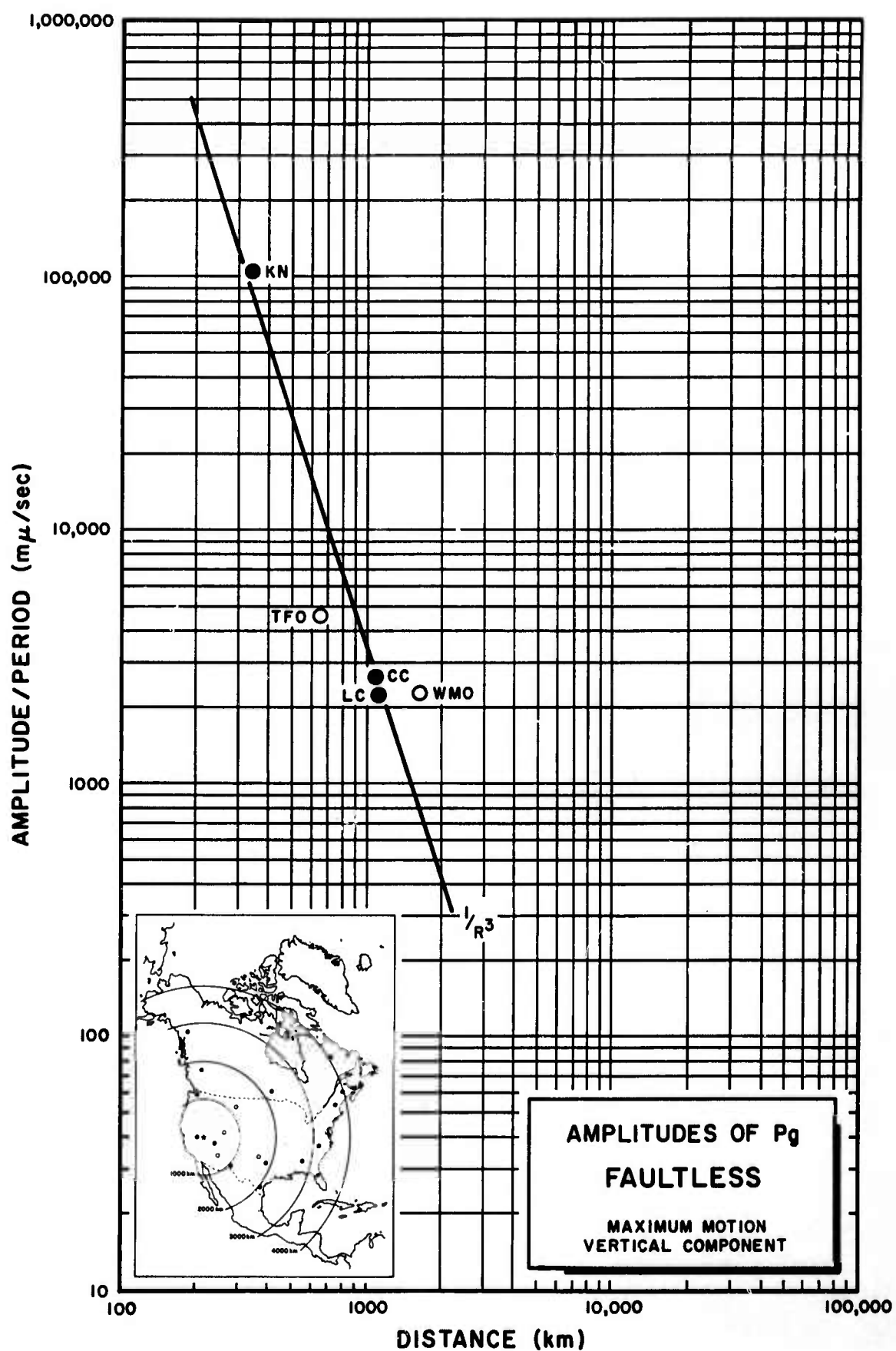


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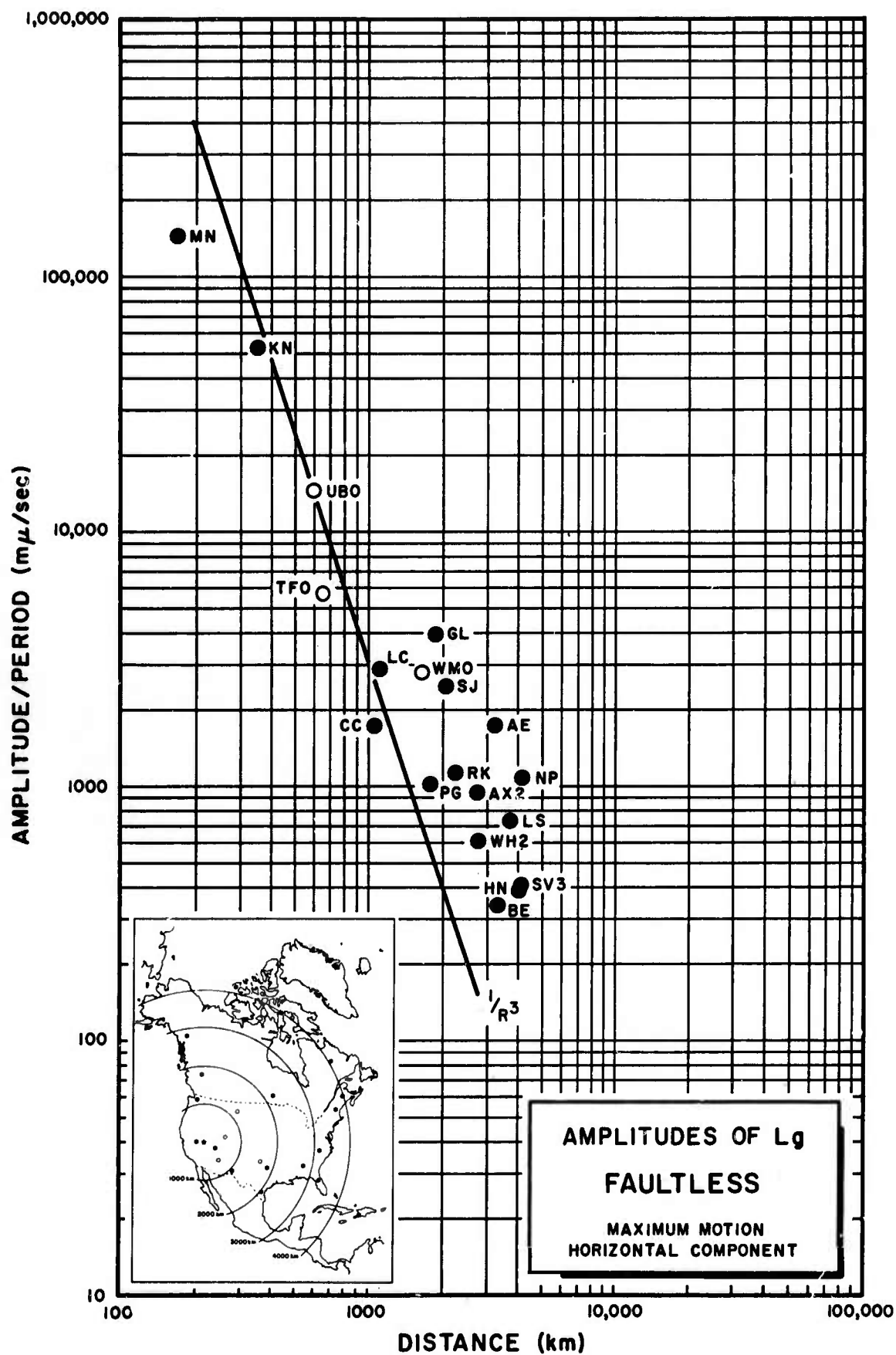


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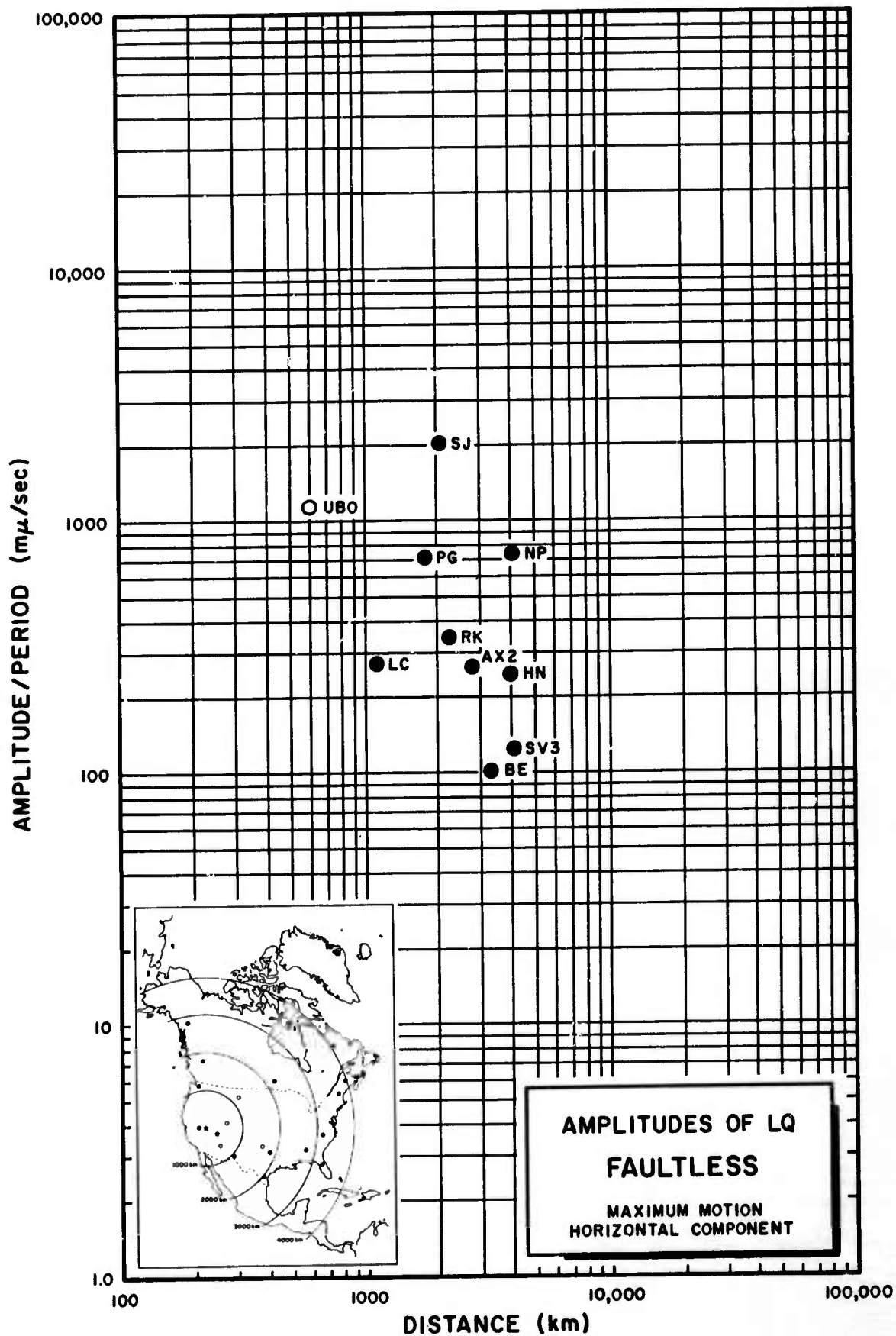


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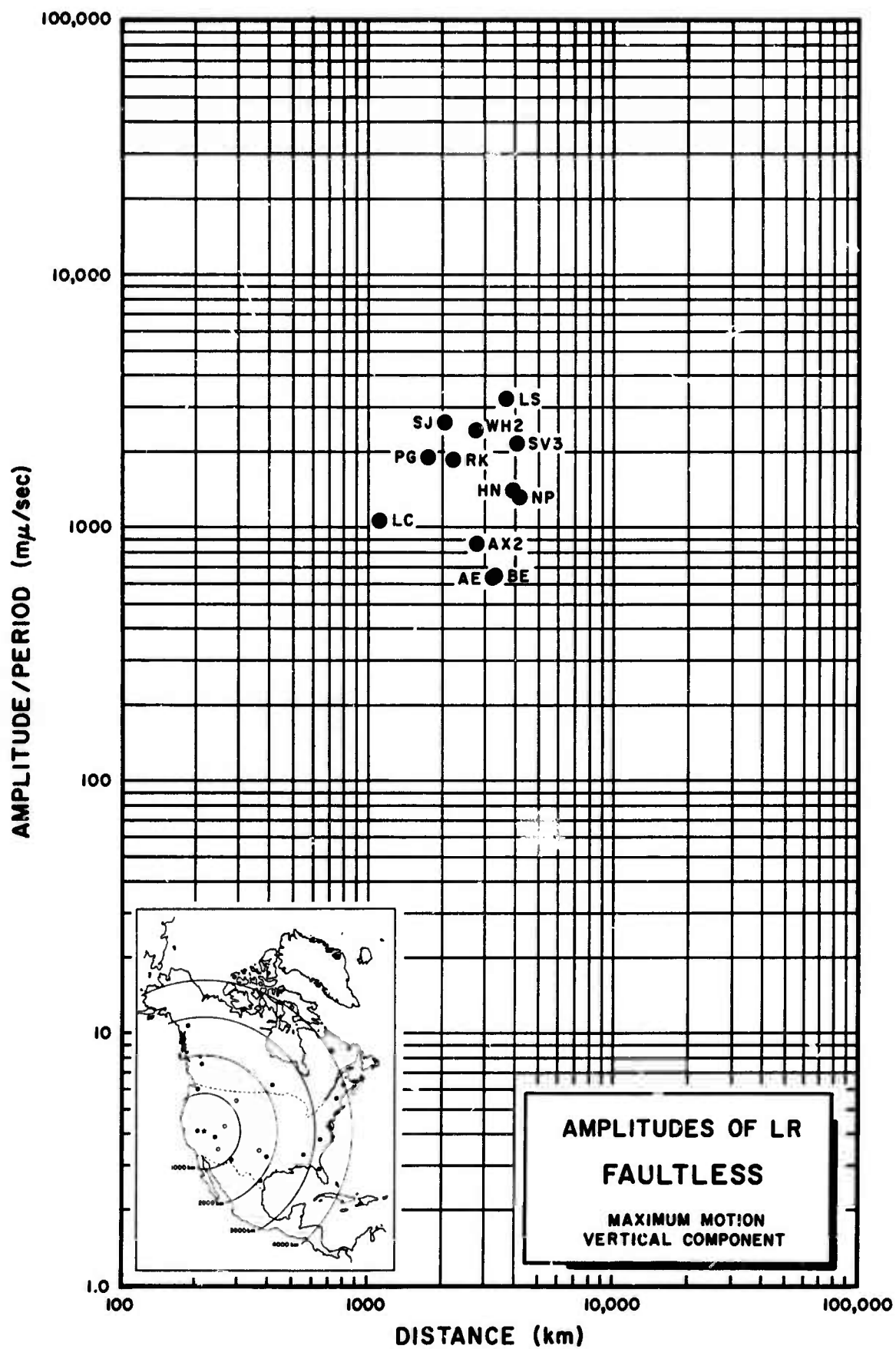


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LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO

19 JANUARY 1968

$\Delta = 1112$ km

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SPR-LO .
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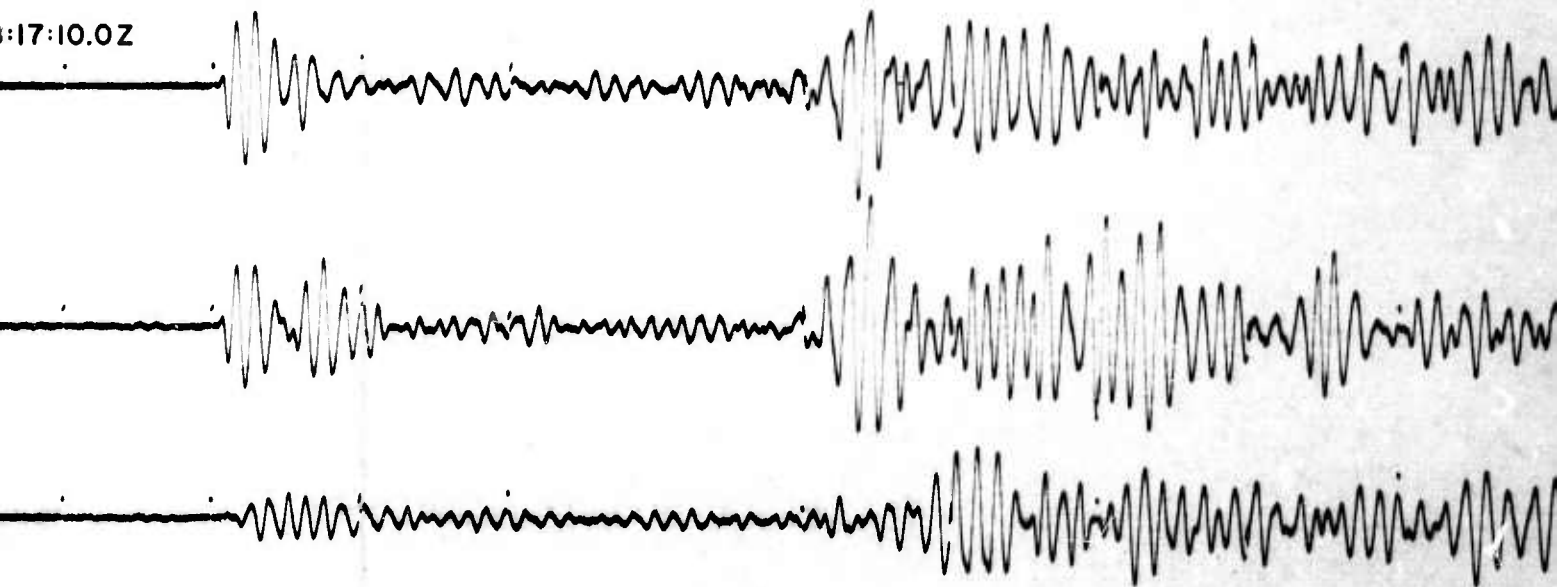
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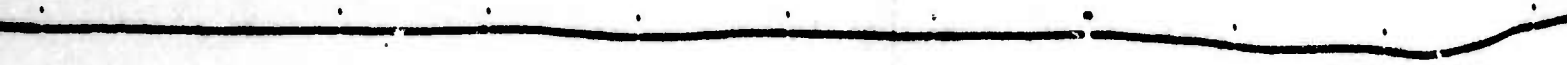
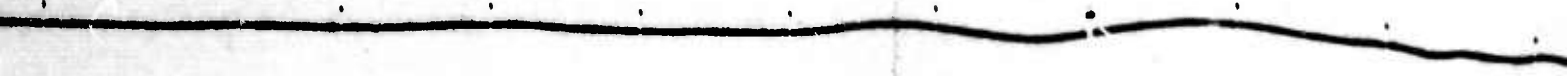
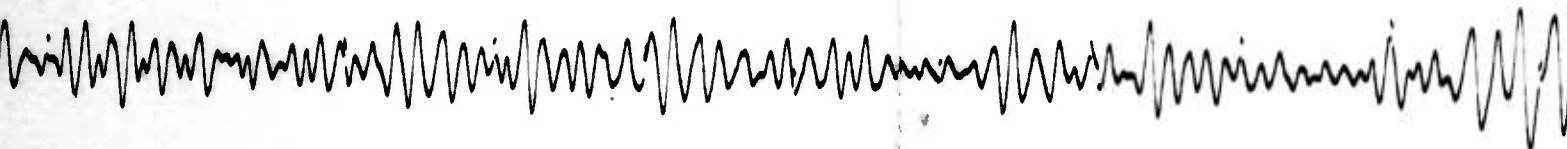
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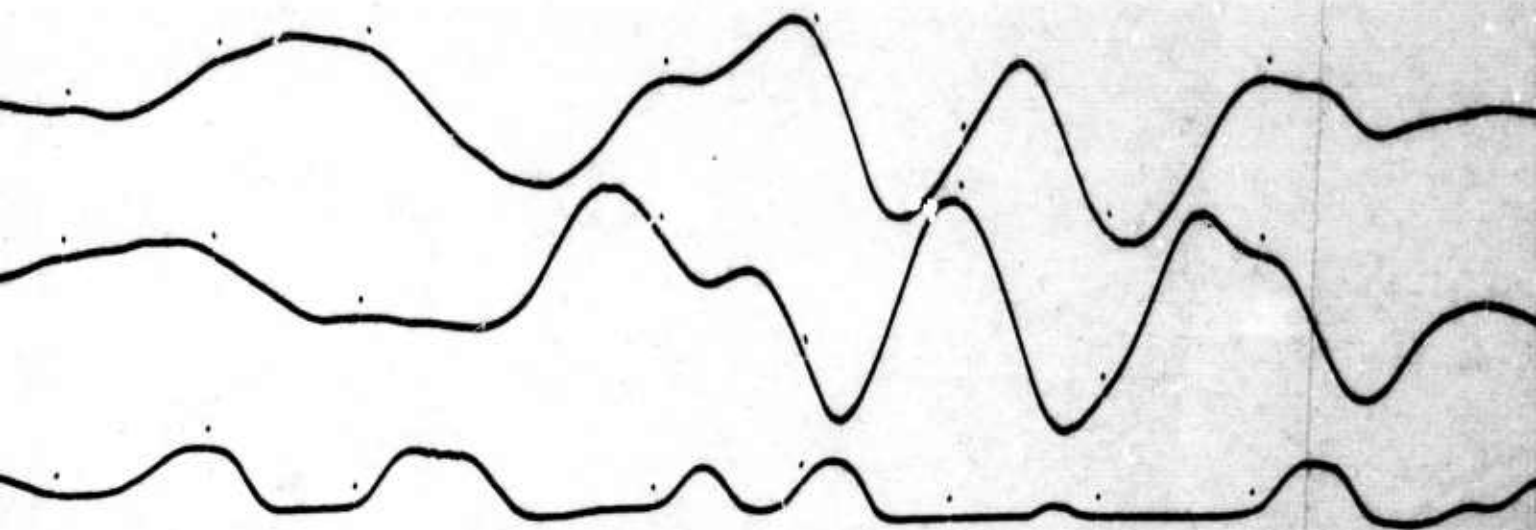
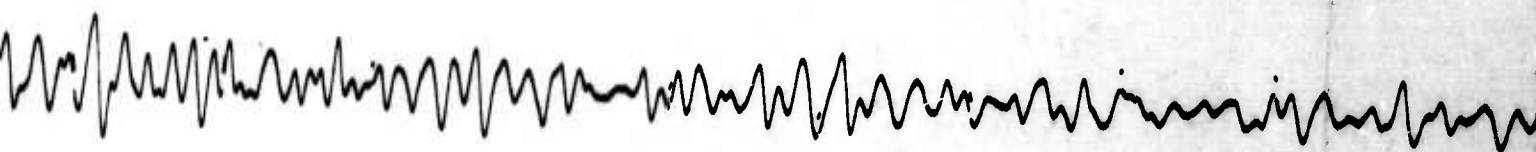
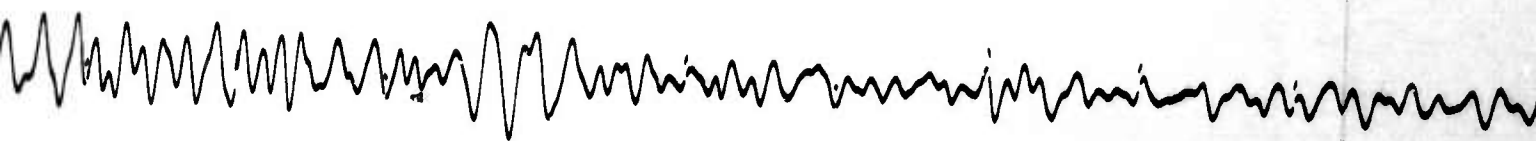
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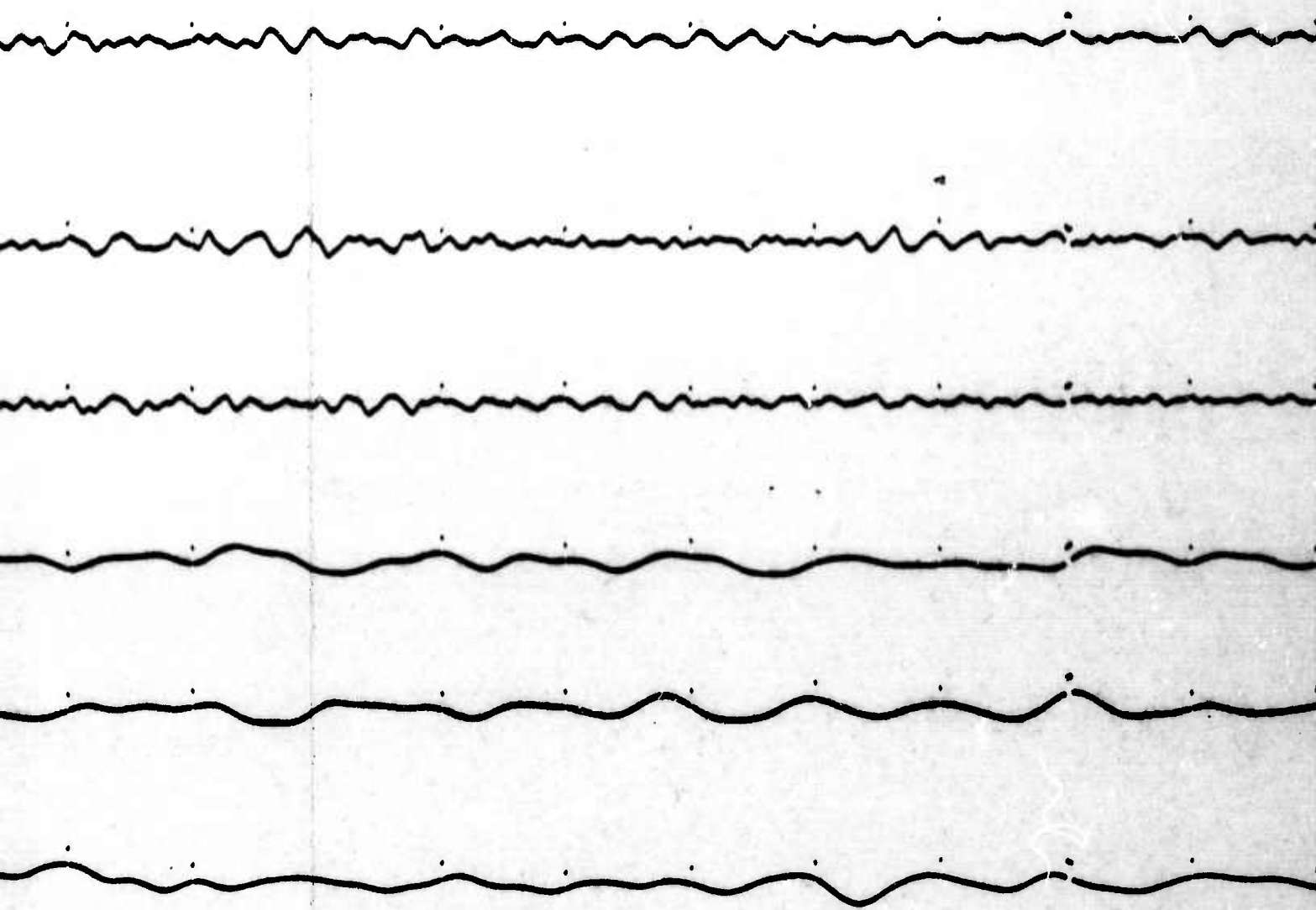
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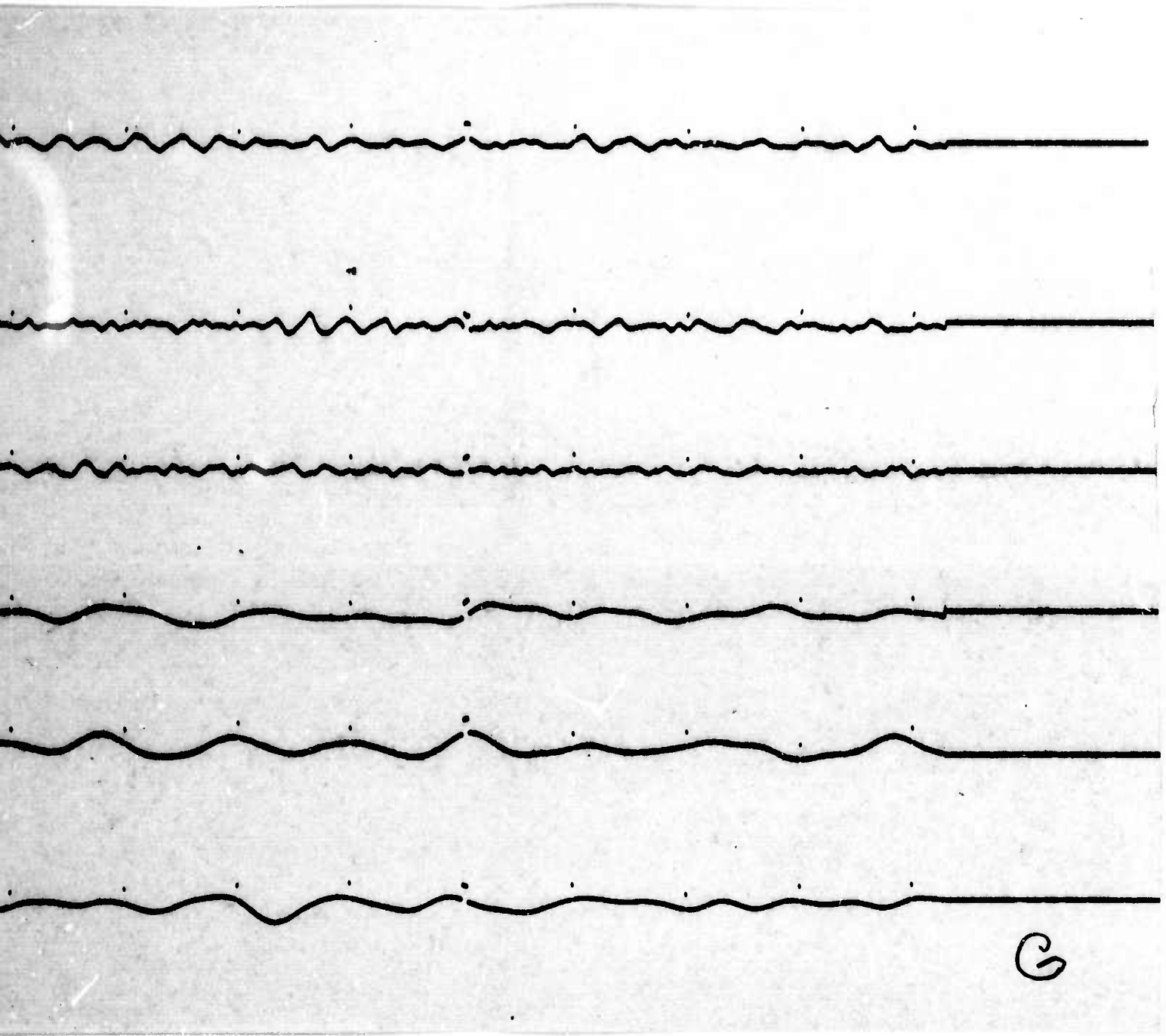
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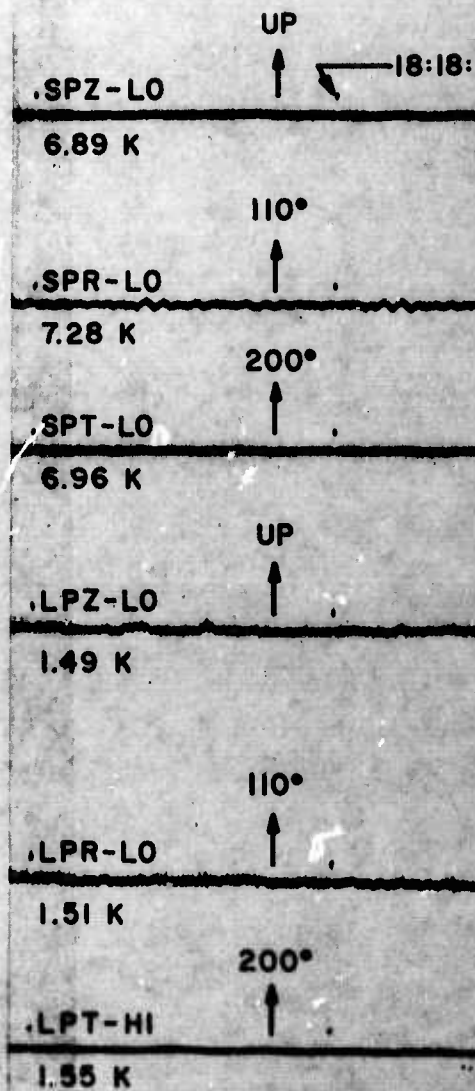
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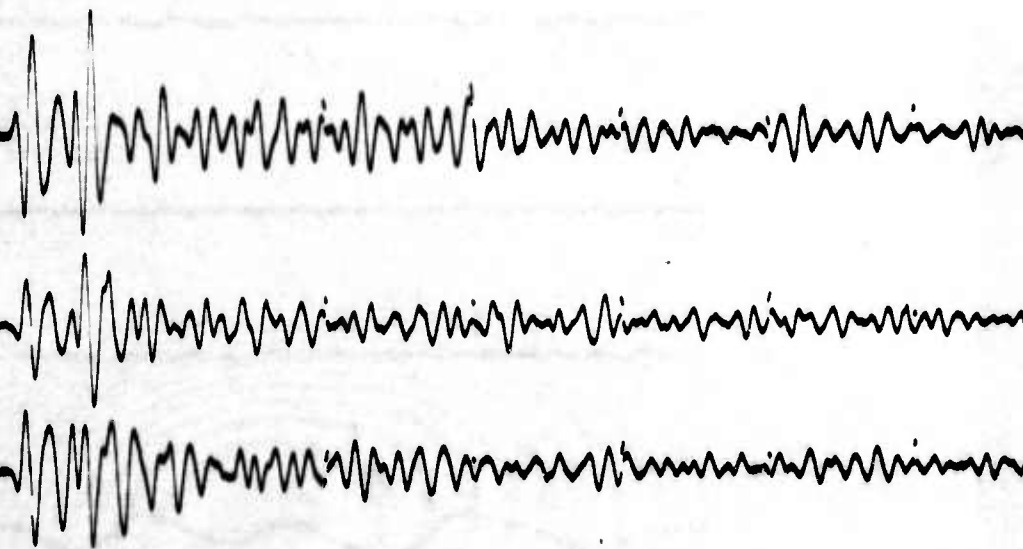
19 JANUARY 1968

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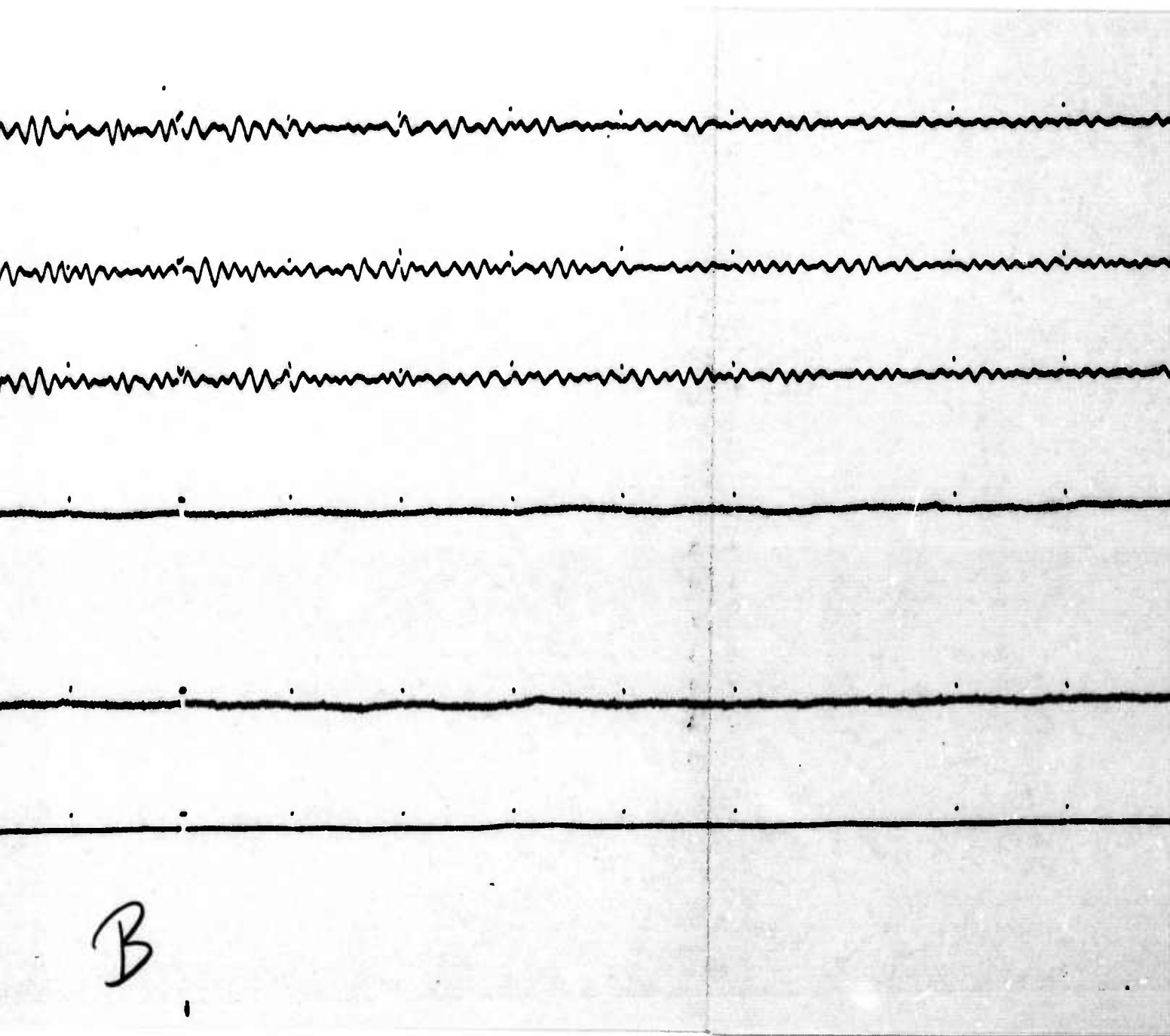
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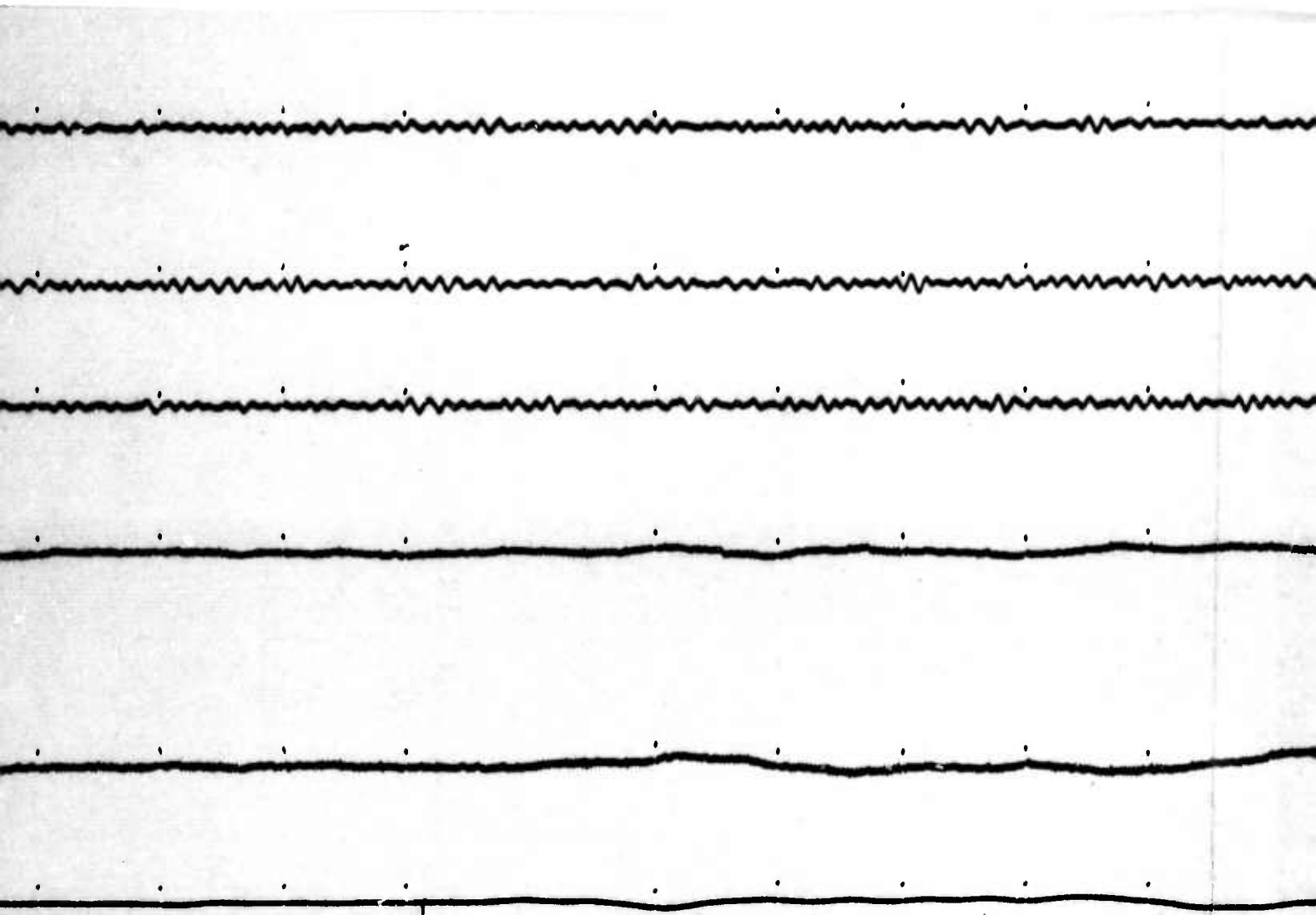


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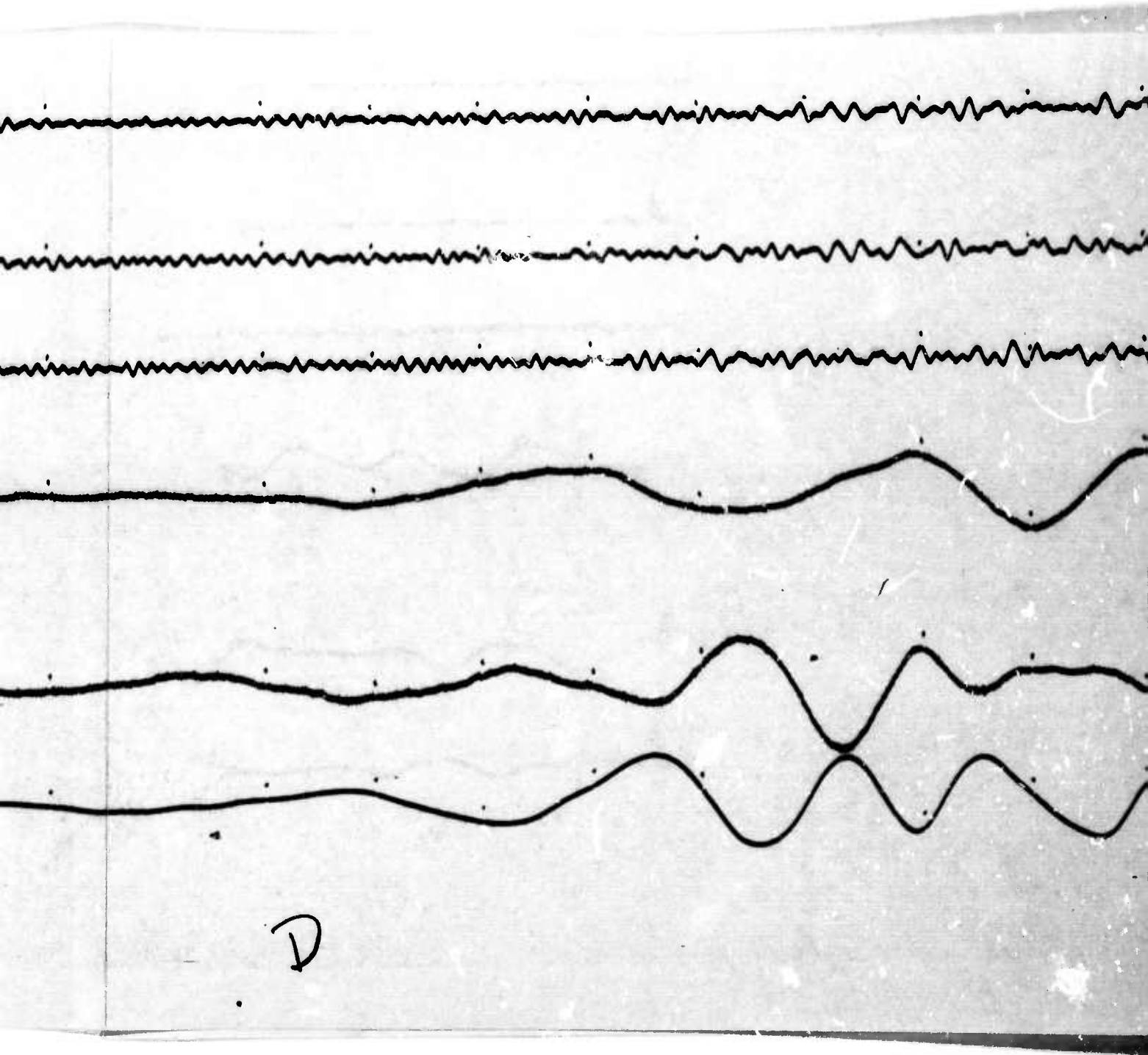


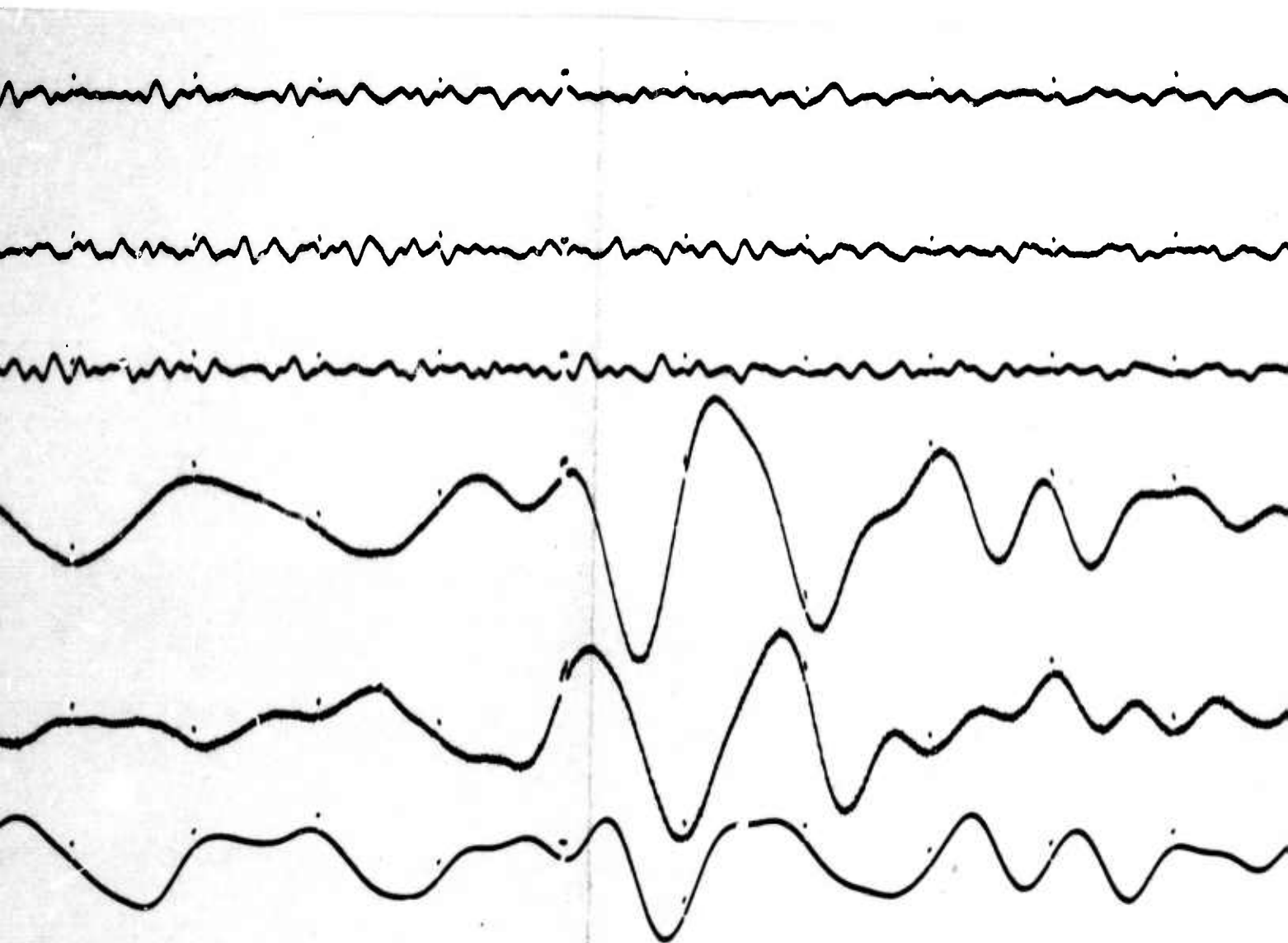
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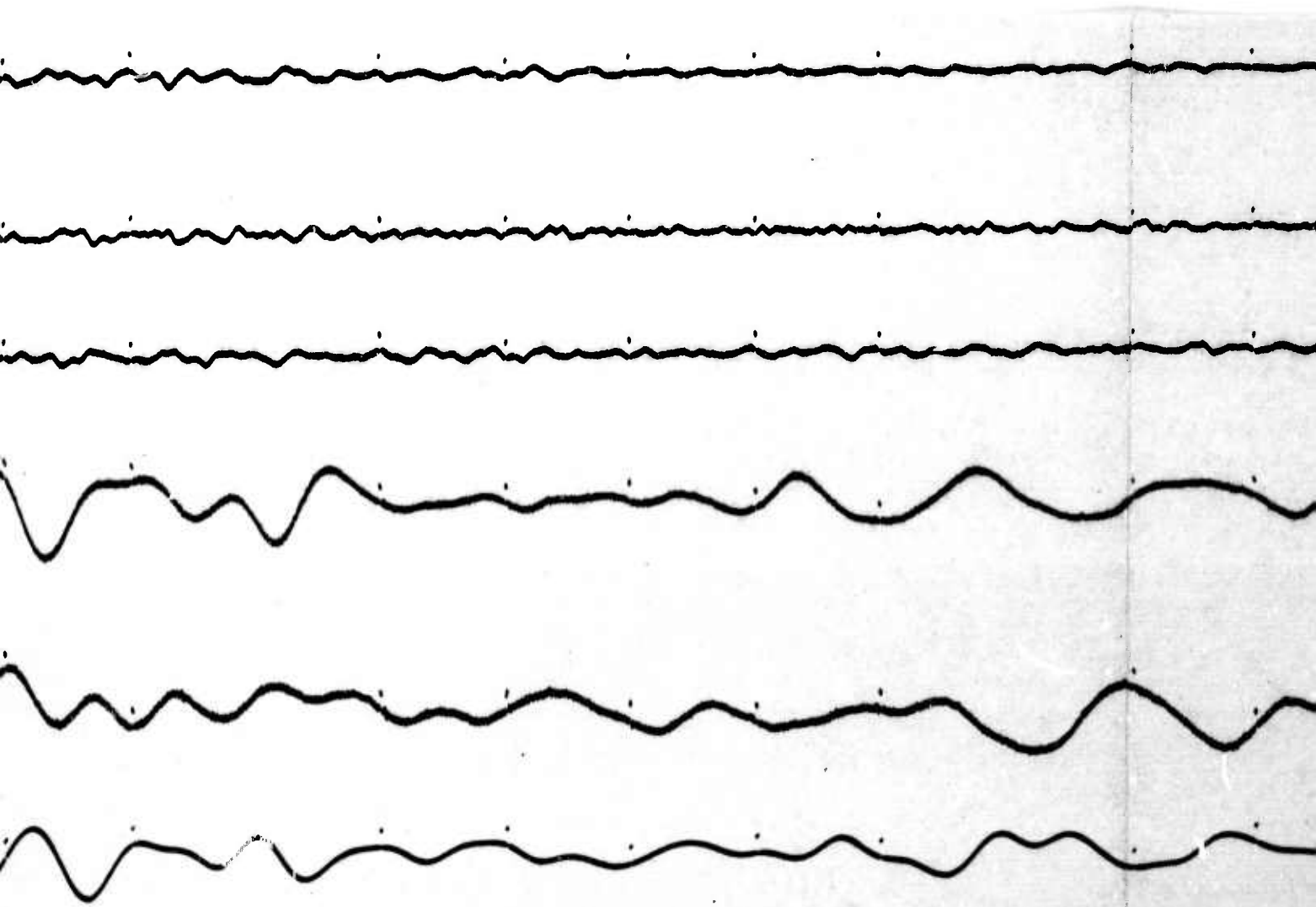


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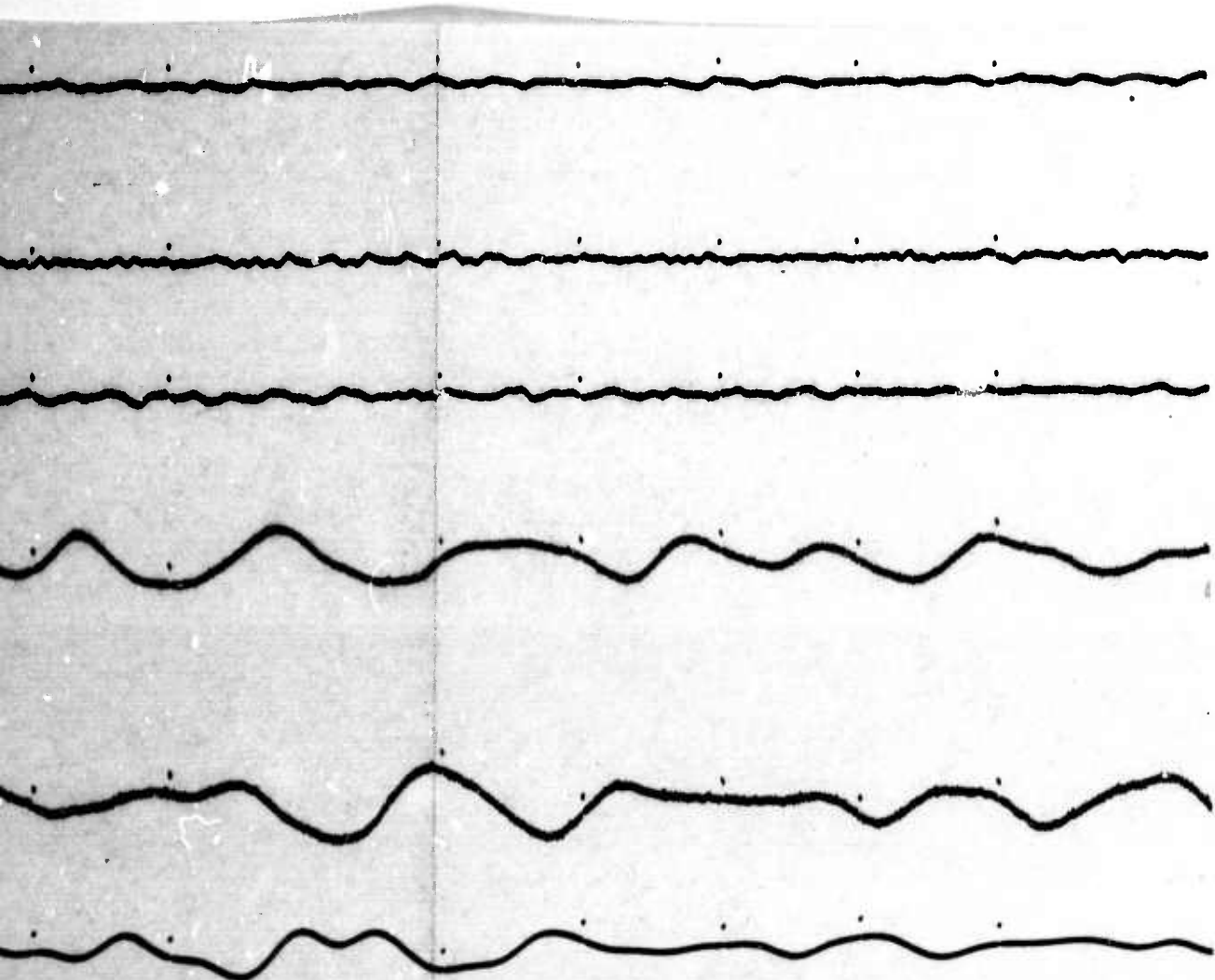




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RED LAKE, ONTARIO, CANADA

19 JANUARY 1968

$\Delta = 2228$ km

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. SPR-LO .	58° ↑	
8.0 K		
. SPT-LO .	148° ↑	
6.4 K		
. LPZ-LO .	UP ↑	
1.04 K		
. LPR-LO .	58° ↑	
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. LPT-HI .	148° ↑	
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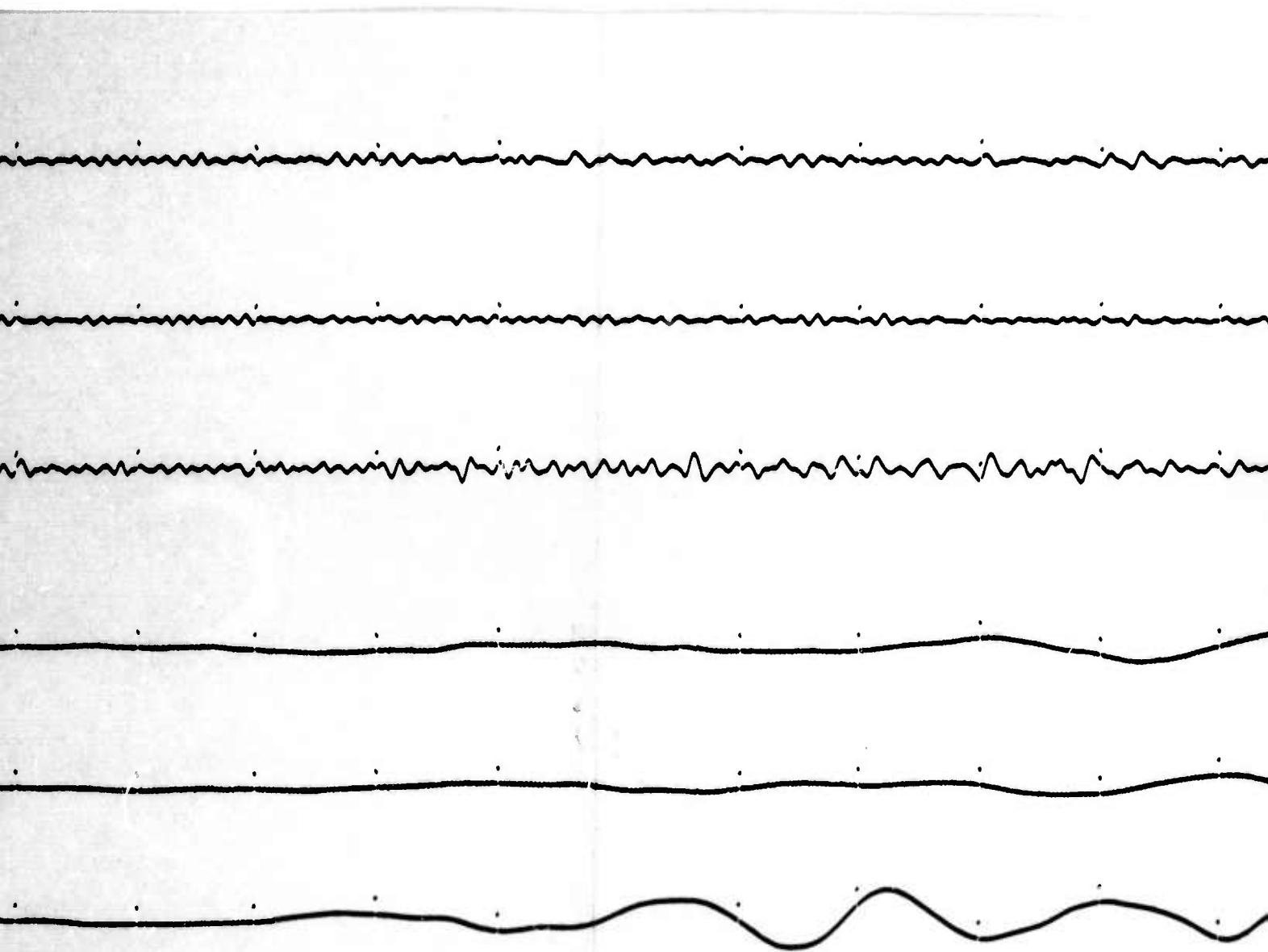
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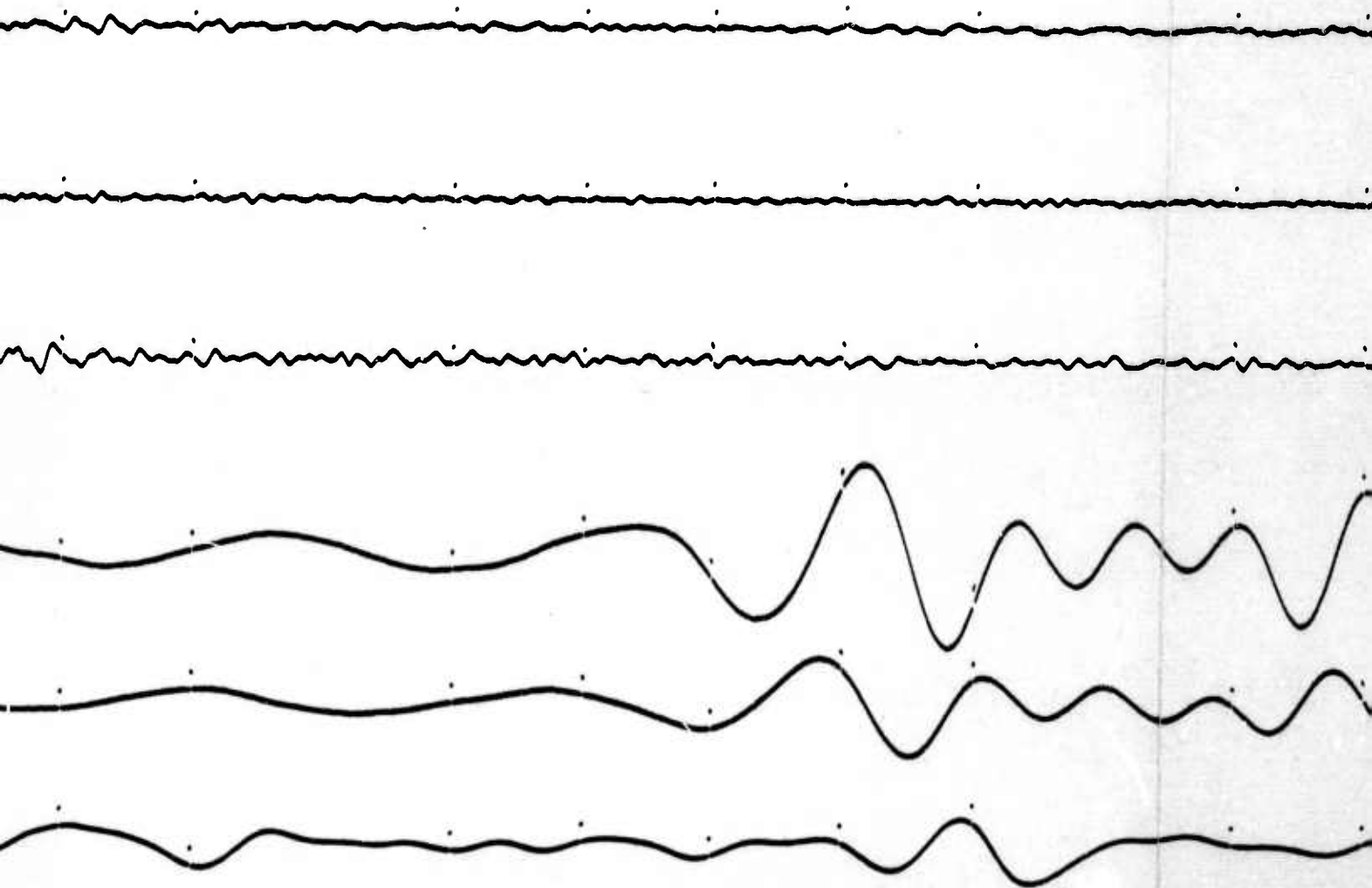
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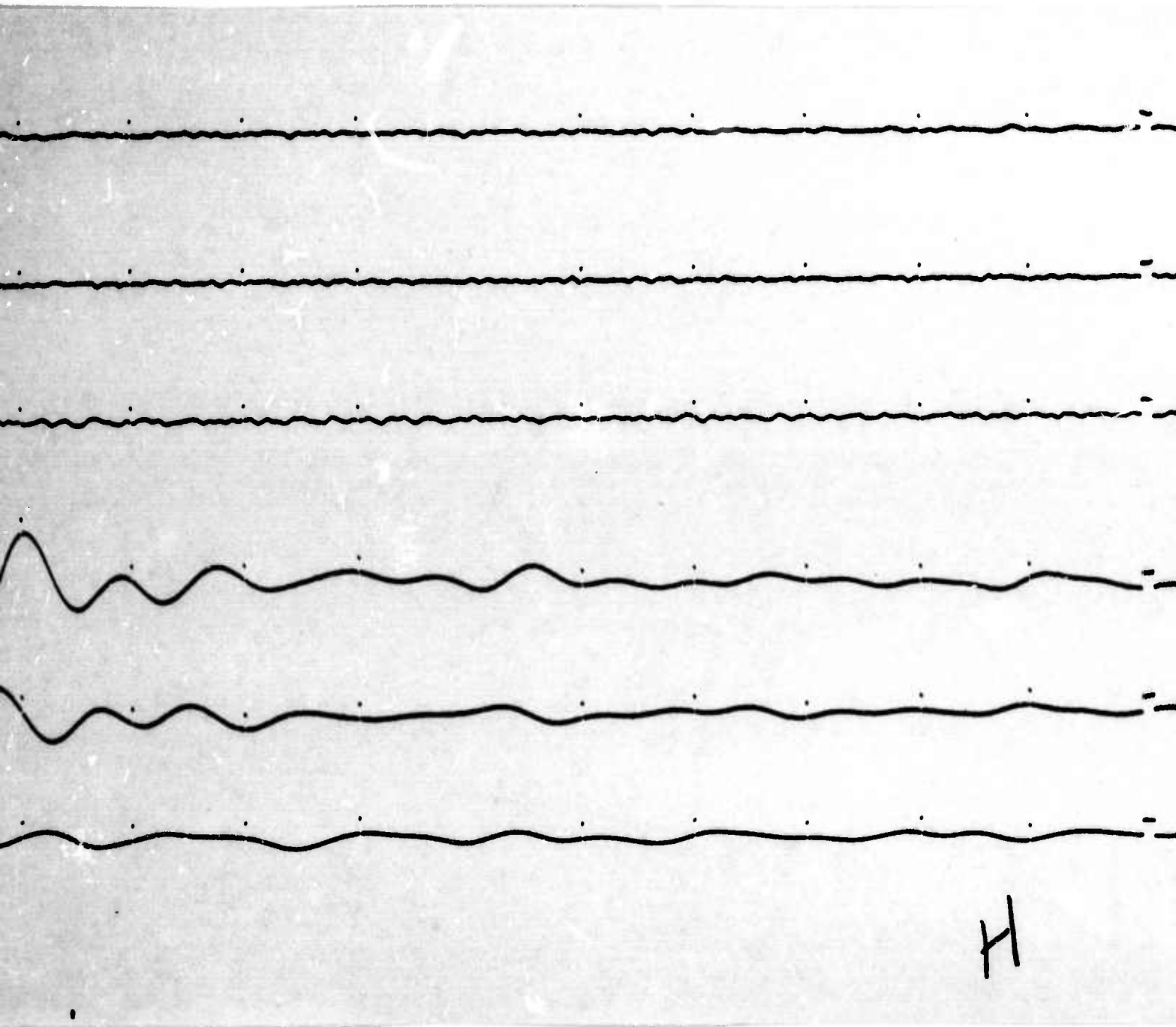
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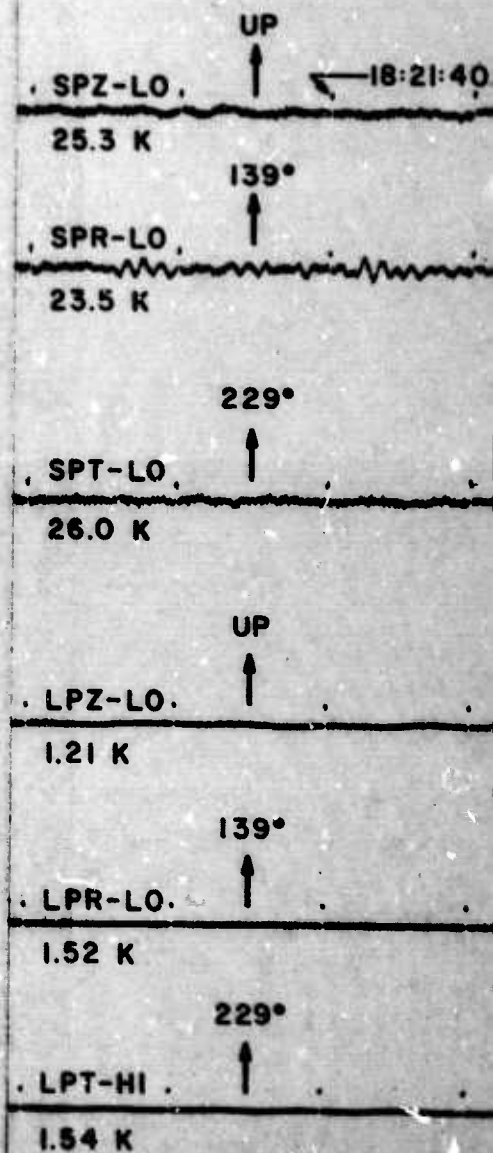
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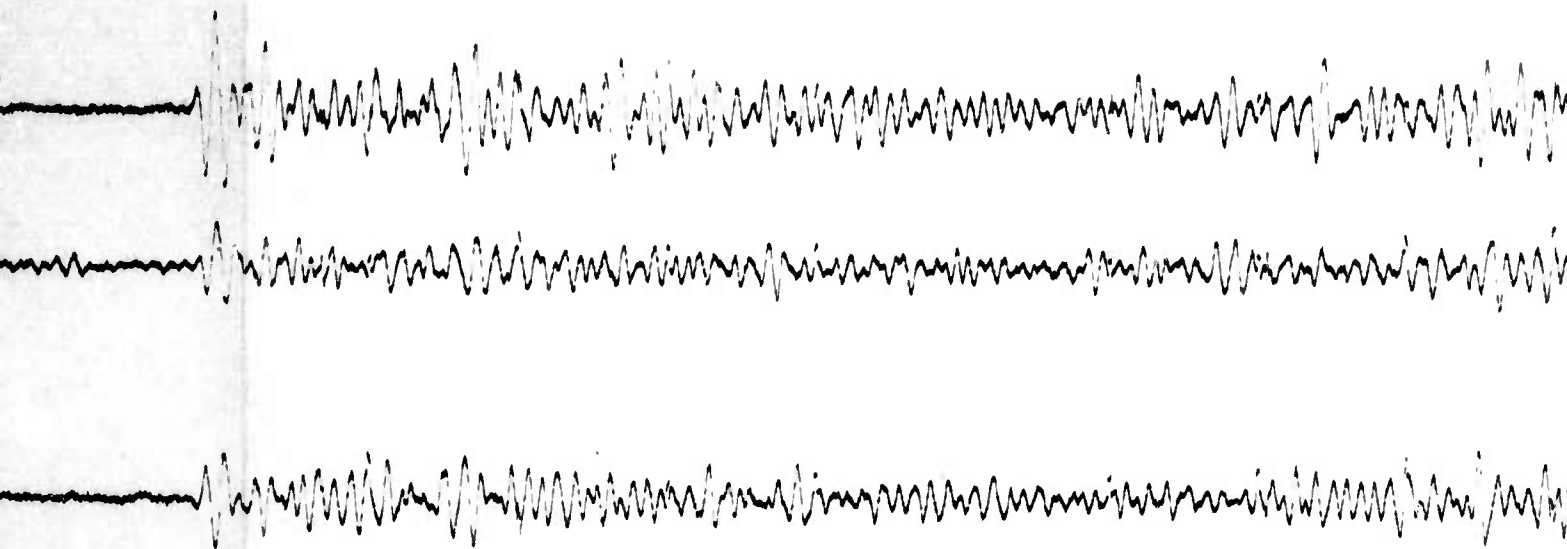
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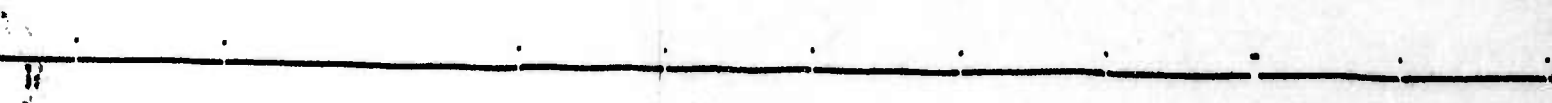
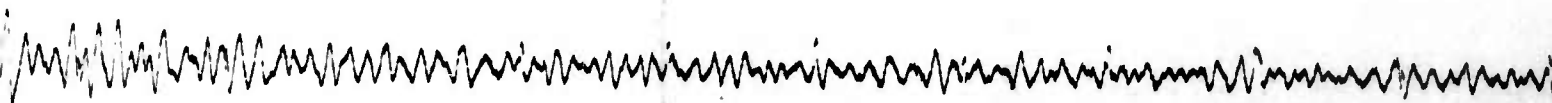
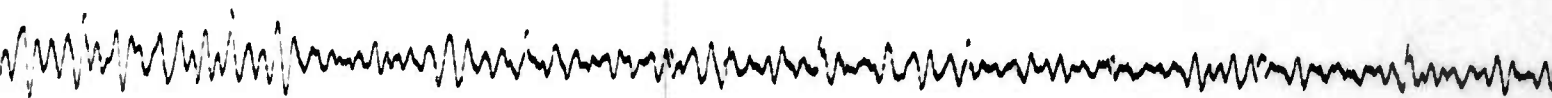
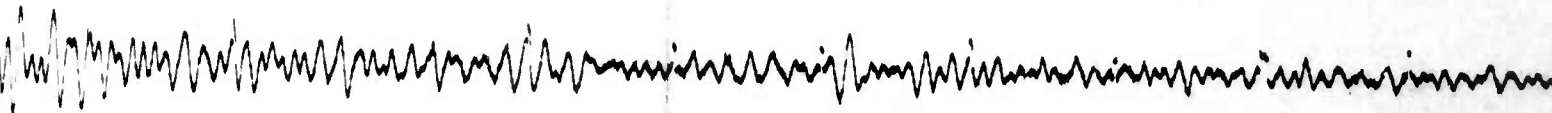
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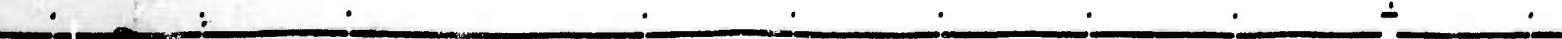
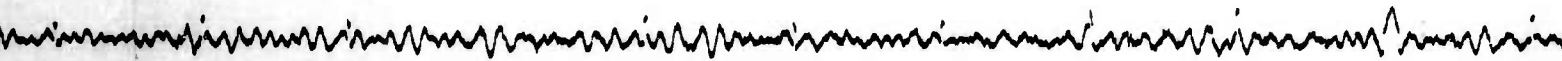
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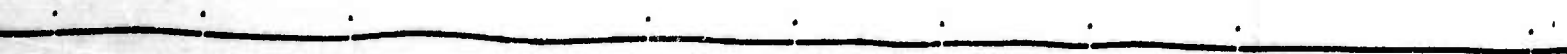
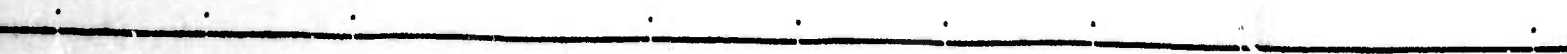
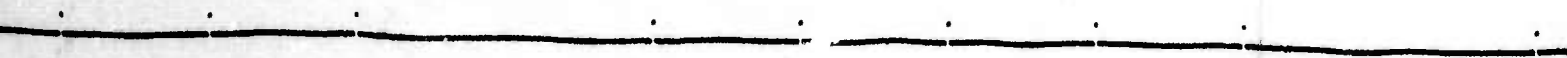
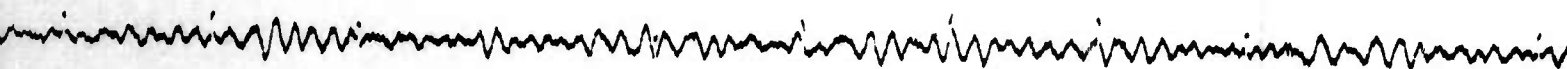
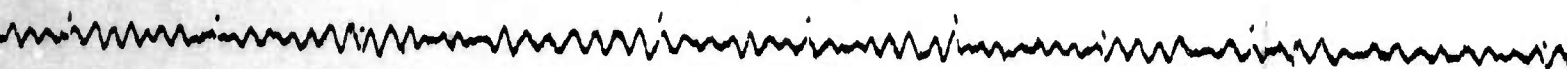
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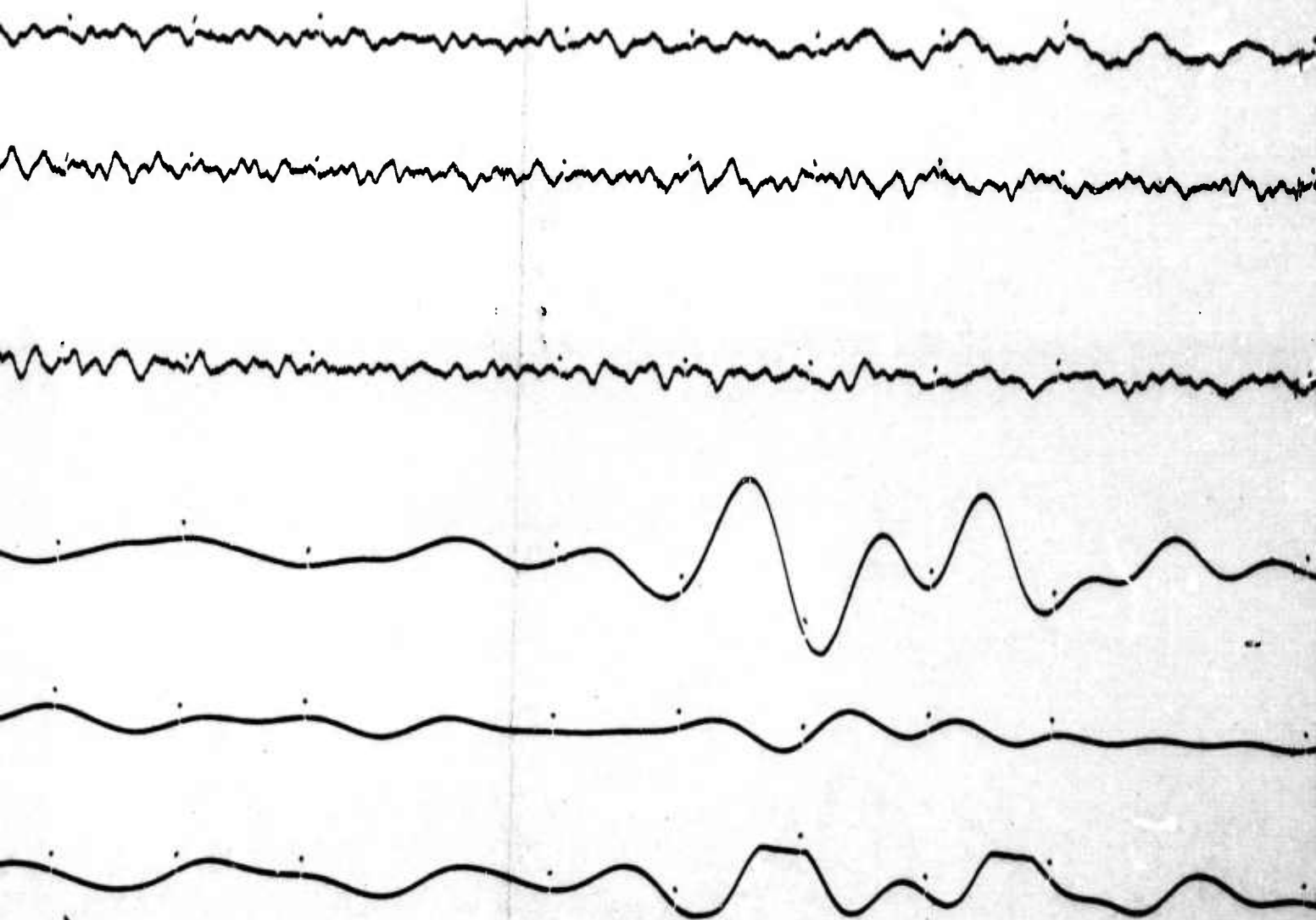
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